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IMPORTANT [illegible] WASHINGTON.

Commodore Pa[illegible] Denounced for Arresting [illegible].

[illegible] Action Disapproved by the Administration.

PROGRESS OF THE UTAH EXPEDITION.

Interesting Dispatches from Col. Johnston.

DEFIANT LETTERS FROM BRIGHAM YOUNG.

Important Mormon Dispatches Intercepted.

[illegible] Telegraph to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 28.

[illegible] PAULDING will doubtless be court-martialed immediately.

The Commodore's instructions were intended only to compel him to prevent WALKER's landing. A copy of the following circular—the same sent to the District Attorneys and Marshals—was transmitted to him:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Dec. 19, 1857.

SIR: From information received at this Department, there is reason to believe that lawless persons are now engaged within the limits of the United States in setting on foot and preparing the means for military expeditions, to be carried on against the territories of Mexico, Nicaragua and Costa Rica—Republics with whom the United States are at peace. In violation of the sixth section of the act of Congress approved 20th April, 1818. And under the ninth section of the said act it is made lawful for the President, or such persons as he shall empower, to employ the land and naval forces of the United States, and the militia thereof, for the purpose of preventing the carrying into effect of any such expedition or enterprise from the Territories or jurisdiction of the United States." I am, therefore, directed by the President to call your attention to the subject, and to urge you to use all due diligence, and to avail yourself of all legitimate means at your command to enforce these and the other provisions of the said act of 20th of April, 1818, against those who may be found to be engaged in setting on foot or preparing military expeditions against the territories of Mexico, Costa Rica and Nicaragua, so manifestly prejudicial to the national character, and so injurious to the national interest. You are, also, hereby instructed promptly to communicate to this Department the earliest information you may receive relative to such expeditions.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) LEWIS CASS.

Commodore was directed to consider these instructions as addressed to himself, and to act accordingly.

[illegible] instructions, of the same tenor but more full, were sent by the steamer of the 21st inst., [illegible], of course, he could not have received.

[illegible] Administration is very emphatic in repudiating the act of Commodore PAULDING, and denouncing it as a violation of the sovereignty of Nicaragua and [illegible] American Constitution. Our power over the [illegible], it is held, ceased the moment they had [illegible] upon the jurisdiction of a foreign power.

[illegible] is no doubt that Commodore PAULDING will be ordered home for trial. S.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 28—10 P. M.

WALKER's friends express the conviction that Commodore PAULDING acted under secret instructions. In proof of this, they cite the fact that it has been repeatedly predicted that England and the United States would pursue him upon Nicaraguan [illegible].

[illegible], also, that a week ago the British Minister, in conversation with a gentleman, suggested as a supposititious case, precisely what has happened through Commodore PAULDING's act—at the same time agreeing that it would be a violation of international law, but saying that Nicaragua would not complain.

[illegible], the Administration positively denies Commodore PAULDING's course, denying that it was even [illegible].

Colonel RUNDERS is expected here to-morrow, with [illegible] in charge. On his arrival he will be officially informed that he has no color of authority to hold them, and will be directed to discharge him immediately.

[illegible] Southern men are very violent in their denunciation of PAULDING, denying his right to decide that WALKER is a citizen of the United States, and claiming it to be the duty of the Government to send him and his band back in a national vessel. S.

[WRITTEN FOR THE REPORTER FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 28.

Instructions to Commodore PAULDING were purely general in their nature, it being impossible for the Government to anticipate every state of [illegible], and not until his official dispatch shall have been considered, will it be determined whether or not he was justified in arresting General [illegible].

The War Department to-day received official [illegible] from the head-quarters of the Army of the Black Fork, three miles below the mouth [illegible] Fork, Nov. 6.

[illegible] states that Col. SAUNDERS, with his command and the numerous trains guarded by it, reached [illegible] 2. The march was slow and tedious, [illegible] eleven miles a day. Although the road [illegible] and the weather fine, it was not possible to make more rapid progress, on account of the [illegible] condition of the draft animals.

[illegible], including the sutlers and merchants, [illegible] Salt Lake, which he would not allow to [illegible] as close an order as they could be made to travel for the space of from five to six miles. [illegible] attempted by the [illegible] which may be attributed to the presence [illegible] and the judicious dispositions and vigilance of Colonel SNYDER.

On the 16th Colonel JOHNSTON was to march on [illegible], and dislodge any force he might find [illegible] await the appearance of Colonel COOK. [illegible] the approach of Winter was too near to [illegible] passage of the Wasatch range of mountains, [illegible] a probability of success, he would seize [illegible] district mentioned in his letter from the [illegible], and occupy it until an advance shall [illegible].

[illegible] communication from BRIGHAM YOUNG to Col. [illegible] and Elders—— and TAYLOR to Capt. [illegible] the orders of D. WELLS, Commander of [illegible], which Col. JOHNSTON incloses, and the [illegible] Legislative Assembly at the last session, [illegible] a resolved and settled determination on the part of the Mormons to hold [illegible] the Territory, independent of [illegible] respective of the authority of the United States, occupying as they do the attitude of rebellion [illegible] defiance of the Government, connected [illegible] overt acts of treason. Colonel JOHNSTON considered that whenever they are met with in [illegible] they may be treated as enemies, and he relies [illegible] fidelity for prompt and vigorous action, or [illegible] States must submit to the usurpation of [illegible].

[illegible] of the Mormons, he says, results from [illegible] determination on their part not to acknowledge [illegible] authority of the United States nor any other [illegible] their church. He adds:

[illegible] of subsistence must be forwarded early [illegible]. It should reach the army by the 1st of [illegible].

[illegible] long time elapse without hearing from him, [illegible], Colonel JOHNSTON says it must be attributed [illegible] to the difficulty of sending expresses [illegible] mountains in the Winter months.

[illegible] and men are reported to be in fine health, [illegible] an ardent desire to die [illegible] battle gallantly.

In a postscript Col. JOHNSTON says the Army has made one day's march since the 5th, and that on the 9th they were awaiting the arrival of the trains delayed the day before by a storm. "Our trains" he adds, "occupy in as close an order as they can travel the road from thirteen to fourteen miles—therefore the rear cannot move till late in the day."

Among the documents transmitted is a letter from BRIGHAM YOUNG, dated Oct. 19, in which, replying to Colonel ALEXANDER, he says:

"If you come here for peaceful purposes you have no use for weapons of war. We wish, and ever have wished, for peace, and have ever sued for it all the day long; as our bitterest enemies know full well; and though the wicked, with the Administration now at their head, have determined we shall have no peace except it be to be down in death, in the name of Israel's God we will have peace, even though we be compelled to war to obtain it. If you put yourselves forward to locate permanently locate on any Indian Territory, contrary to the wishes and consulting rights of the people therein, thereby giving the Administration a color sufficient to enlist the ignorant, black-hearted scoundrels, whoremasters and murderers, as was the sole intention in sending you and your troops here, you will have to meet a mode of warfare against which your tactics furnish you no information. In regard to myself and certain others, having placed ourselves in a position of rebellion and hostility to the Government of the United States, I am perfectly aware, and we understand our true and most loyal position far better than our enemies can inform us. We, of all people, are endeavoring to preserve and perpetuate the genius of the Constitution and constitutional law, while the Administration and the troops they have ordered to Utah are in fact themselves rebels, and in hostility to the General Government; and if GEORGE WASHINGTON was now living and at the helm of our Government, he would hang the Administration as high as he did ANDRE, and that, too, with a far better grace and to a much greater subserving of the best interests of the country."

After much similar defiant language, YOUNG says:

"By virtue of my office as Governor of the Territory of Utah, I command you to marshal your troops and leave this Territory, for it can be of no possible benefit to you to waste treasures and blood in prosecuting your course upon the side of a rebellion against the General Government by its administrators. You have had and still have plenty of time to retire within reach of supplies at the East, or to go to Fort Hall. Were you and your fellow-officers as well acquainted with your men as I am with mine, and did they understand the work they are now engaged in as well as you may understand it, you must know that many of them would immediately revolt from all connection with so ungodly, illegal, unconstitutional and hellish a crusade against an innocent people; and if their blood is shed it shall rest upon the heads of their commanders. With us it is the kingdom of God or nothing."

In another letter to Colonel ALEXANDER, BRIGHAM YOUNG says:

"When the President of the United States so far degrades his high position and prostitutes the highest gift of the people so as to make use of the military power, intended only for the protection of the people's rights, to crush the people's liberties, and compel them to receive officials so lost to self-respect as to accept appointments against the known and expressed wish of the people, and so craven and degraded as to need an army to protect them in their position, we feel that we would be recreant to every principle of self-respect, honor, integrity, and patriotism, to bow tamely to such high-handed tyranny, a parallel to which is only found in the attempts made by the British Government in its most corrupt stages against the rights, liberties and lives of our forefathers. If our real enemies, the mobocrats, priests, editors and politicians, at whose instigation the present storm has been gathered, had come against us, instead of you and your command, I would not have addressed them thus. They never would have been allowed to reach the South Pass."

JOHN TAYLOR, in writing a letter to Captain MASON, says:

"I know from your personal intercourse with members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, that there have been various plans concocted at head-quarters, for some time past, for the overthrow of the Mormons. Mr. FULLER, of New-York, who sent you an introductory letter to me, informs me that you are a politician. If so, you must know that in the last Presidential campaign the Republican Party had opposition to Slavery and polygamy as two of the principal planks of their platform. You may know that Utah was picked out, and the only Territory excluded from a participation in the precumption rights to land. I might enumerate injuries by scores. And if these things are not so, why is it that Utah is so knotty a question? Why could DRUMMOND and a host of other mean scribblers palm their barefaced lies with such impunity, and have their infamous slanders swallowed with such gusto? Was it not that the Administration, as their satellites, having planned our destruction, were eager to catch at anything to render specious their contemplations of blood; or in plain terms, the Democrats advocated strongly popular sovereignty. The Republicans tell them if they join in maintaining inviolable the domestic institutions of the South, they must also swallow polygamy. The Democrats thought this would not do, as it would interfere with the religious scruples of many of their supporters, and they looked about for some means to dispose of the knotty question. Mr. BUCHANAN, with Messrs. DOUGLAS, CASS, THOMPSON and others, after failing to devise measures, hit upon the expedient of an armed force against Utah, and thus thought, by a sacrifice of the Mormons, to untie the knotty question. Yes, by destroying or killing a hundred thousand innocent American citizens, to satisfy the pious, humane and patriotic feeling of their constituents, take the wind out of the sails of the Republicans and gain to themselves immortal honors."

After defending the Mormons, he, in conclusion, says:

On my departure from the States, the fluctuating tide of popular opinion against us seemed to be on the wane, and by this time there may be quite a reaction in the public mind. If so, it may probably affect, materially, the position of the Administration and tend to more constitutional, pacific and humane measures. In such an event, our relative frontiers would be materially changed, and instead of meeting enemies we could meet as American citizens should—friends to one another, and united against our legitimate enemies. Such an issue is to be devoutly desired

On the person of Major JOSEPH TAYLOR, who was captured, was found a letter to him from DANIEL WELLS, Lieutenant-General of the Mormons, in which the latter directs him, under date of Oct. 4, to proceed with all possible dispatch to the Oregon road, near Bear River, taking close and correct observations of the country on his route.

"When you approach the road," he says, "send scouts ahead to ascertain if the invading troops have passed that way. If they have passed take the concealed route, and get ahead of them, express to Col. BENTON, who is now on that route, and in the vicinity of the troops, and effect a junction with him, so as to operate in concert. On ascertaining the locality or route of the troops, proceed at once to annoy them in every possible way. Use every exertion to stampede their animals, and set fire to their trains; burn the whole country before them and on their flank; keep them from sleeping by night surprises; blockade the road by felling the trees, or destroying the river fords where you can; watch for every opportunity to set fire to the grass on their windward, so as to, if possible, envelope their trains; leave no grass before them that can be burnt; keep your men concealed as much as possible and guard against surprise; keep scouts out at all times and communication open with Colonel BENTON, Major MCALLISTER and O. K. ROCKWELL, who are operating in the same way; keep me advised daily of your movements on every step the troops take, and in what direction. God bless you and give you success. Your brother in Christ.

The Editorship of the Union—Kansas—Central American Affairs—Remonstrance of Great Britain Against the Vrisarri Treaty, &c.

From our own Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, Dec. 27.

I understand that Mr. HUGHES, formerly editor of the Richmond *Examiner*, and an adopted son-in-law of the Secretary of War, has been brought into *the Union* establishment as an associate editor. It seems that the articles in review of Mr. DOUGLAS' position on the Kansas question were from his pen, and were deemed to be satisfactory evidence of his ability to fill the place.

Mr. APPLETON, of the State Department, it is understood, will superintend the foreign department of the paper, and Mr. HUGHES the political. Mr. HARRIS' duties will consist chiefly in receipting for his share of the profits.

The proposition that Congress should pass a law admitting Kansas into the Union whenever her people should choose to ratify the Lecompton Constitution was proposed some time ago by Attorney-General BLACK, as a compromise between the views of the President and Governor WALKER.

Mr. BUCHANAN positively declined the suggestion. It was urged at that time that if this arrangement could be agreed upon, Governor WALKER would go back to Kansas and use his best efforts to save the State to the Democracy. Now, it is said, this proposition finds more favor in official quarters, but the time for making it available has passed.

Governor WALKER, and GEORGE N. SANDERS, who has just returned from Kansas, are both of opinion that the Free-State men will participate in the election under the Lecompton Constitution on the 4th of January and secure the officers to be elected at that time. By doing this, in the possible contingency of an attempt by Congress to force the Lecompton Constitution upon them, they will have the State organization in their own hands, either to use or to render null by non user, as they find advisable.

It seems to be understood here that Gen. DENIAN has not accepted the commission tendered him as Secretary of the Territory of Kansas. Certain it is that he had the appointment in his pocket for three days before the last advices by mail, without having intimated any disposition to supersede Mr. STANTON.

The Administration finds itself in a tight position in regard to Central American affairs. The Treaty negotiated with Señor VRISARRI, for the benefit of JOSIAH L. WEBB & Co., was—as I informed you at the time—looked upon by the Diplomatic Corps here as rather sharp practice. It had the effect of bringing Sir WM. GORE OUSELEY up all standing; so he took a house here and sat himself down, quietly awaiting further instructions from London, before he should proceed directly to the business of his mission to the United States. Both the British Ministers are understood to have protested earnestly against the Treaty—and it is not improbable that they looked upon the entire proceeding with the more suspicion from the fact that the Assistant Secretary of State was understood to have been the master spirit who originated and suggested to WEBB the plan of proceeding, so as to bring about the conclusion of the Treaty, and the securement under it of his and his friends' interests in the Transit franchises. It was quite apparent that neither WEBB nor VRISARRI were equal to the inception of the scheme some time before the suspicions of Mr. APPLETON's association with them leaked out.

But it does not follow that the Assistant Secretary was acting in behalf of the United States Government in this respect, as Mr. OUSELEY probably supposes;—he may have been rendering a merely personal service to the Transit speculators. Be that as it may, the conclusion of the treaty, whether with or without any Administration foreing, was looked upon as an unfriendly move on the part of our Government. The *Persia* brought advices that the Government of Great Britain remonstrates against it in the most decided phrases which diplomatic courtesy will permit, as an unmistakable infringement of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. General CASS is said to have been engaged all day in preparing an answer to this remonstrance, to be sent out to Europe by the steamer of Wednesday next.

It is scarcely necessary at this time to suggest all the important consequences likely to flow from this new entanglement; but two or three points cannot well be overlooked. If England persists in her objections, Mr. BUCHANAN must do one of two things,—virtually recede from the treaty with Nicaragua until after the Clayton-Bulwer treaty shall have been regularly abrogated, or else commit himself to the work of practically indorsing and sustaining the celebrated "Monroe Doctrine" of which Democratic platforms say so much. To recede is difficult,—for the treaty was made at Washington, directly under the eye of the President himself,—and he is bound in good faith with Nicaragua to send it to the Senate for ratification. True, he might send it to the Senate, and have it rejected there by programme; but in that event the record shows an Administration defeat and rebuke.

There certainly seems to be danger that this interminable Central American controversy is again to disturb our relations with England, just as they seemed to be settling into peace and harmony. The *entente cordiale*, looking to cooperation by the two Governments in a world-wide policy for the extension of commerce and civilization—of which I had something to say several weeks ago—must necessarily be disturbed by the resurrection of this ancient feud, and that at a time when domestic troubles make it more than ever important that our foreign relations should be the kindest and most peaceful, and when an unusually favorable opportunity offers for the mutual attainment in the East of objects important to the prosperity of the respective nations.

Mr. BUCHANAN has been singularly unfortunate in his Central American policy thus far—for while he has alienated the entire fillibustering interest by his show of disposition to stretch a point for the interception of fillibuster enterprise, he has failed to command anti-fillibuster confidence in his sincerity, and foreign Governments strongly suspect him of duplicity, and of secretly favoring WALKER's expedition against Nicaragua.

A desperate effort is making here to secure a continuance of the federal pap to the *Evening Star*. This journal, prior to the action of the Cincinnati Convention, blew its daily whistle in behalf of the nomination of General PIERCE, and opposed Mr. BUCHANAN, and by a system of belittlement sought to render the idea of his success quite ridiculous. Of course its tune was changed soon as it was soundly beaten at Cincinnati, and notwithstanding the President, and Mr. SLIDELL and other gentlemen "near the throne," have studiously avoided having anything to do with the sheet, it has, nevertheless, been as consistent and persistent in bespattering President BUCHANAN with praise, as it was in showering upon *citizen* BUCHANAN its abuse. The hope of getting the Post-Office advertising of mail-lettings was the panacea which worked this wondrous change; and now the tug of war for it is at hand.

In order to secure the $20,000 to be made by hiding these advertisements away where they will never be seen, the *Star* people resorted to a little *finesse*. They saw that they couldn't win by love, so they essayed to try it by fear; and by initiating negotiations for the sale of their sheet to parties more friendly to the Douglas interest than to that of the President, it is said that they have frightened a portion of the Cabinet into the opinion that it will be better to give them the desired sop than to let them go over to the enemy. It remains to be seen whether Mr. BUCHANAN will surrender to so ignoble a craft. S.

Important from Mexico.

COUP D'ETAT OF PRESIDENT COMONFORT—HIS COMPLETE ASSUMPTION OF THE DICTATORSHIP—THE PEOPLE YIELD HIM THEIR SUPPORT.

Special Dispatch to the Philadelphia North American.

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, Dec. 25.

By the arrival at this port, to-day, of the steamer *Tennessee*, the *Picayune* is in receipt of intelligence from Vera Cruz to the 21st inst., and corresponding dates from other portions of the Republic. The news is of the highest importance.

The Constitution of the country had been overthrown, the Federal Congress and Supreme Court broken up and dispersed, and COMONFORT declared absolute Dictator, with power to call an extraordinary Congress. The whole Capital was in arms, and other cities, including Vera Cruz, had given in their prompt adhesion to the new order of things.

SECOND DISPATCH.—The revolution in the City of Mexico took place on the 17th instant. The movement was a sudden, bold and daring one, and crowned with most complete success. It was planned by COMONFORT, and then intrusted to General BASE, who carried it triumphantly into execution without an active resistance on the part of the people. Indeed the latter evinced their joy in various ways, and unhesitatingly hailed COMONFORT as their supreme ruler.

There were but few arrests made, though among the few were several men of distinction.

A number of the Ministry sent in their resignations the same day.

The latest advices from the city are contained in a letter to the *Picayune*, dated 19th inst., which represents "everything as going on well."

The California Overland Mail, &c.

ST. LOUIS, Monday, Dec. 28.

Messrs. BUTTERFIELD, PARGO, WELLS, and WILLIAMS, the contractors for carrying the overland mail to California, have arrived here with the design of fitting out an expedition to ascertain the most practicable route to carry the proposed mail.

The Santa Fé mail has arrived, but contains no letters or papers for this City.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA

The Administration's Kansas Policy Indorsed—Speeches, Resolutions, &c.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Dec. 28.

The Democratic meeting held here this evening, to indorse the Administration, was large, but, comparatively, little enthusiasm was manifested.

The meeting was organized by the choice of Ex-Chief Justice ELLIS LEWIS as President, and a long list of Vice-Presidents and Secretaries.

Ex. W. B. WITZ, of Pottsylvania, made a speech and argued that the object of the Administration was to let the people of Kansas settle their own affairs. There was no charge of illegality brought forward when the Congress given, elected, but many refused to vote. It was their own fault. If the President marked out any other course in his message than true Democracy, then charge him with either neglecting his duty or overstepping his authority. He referred to the attack of Senator BIGLER upon the Kansas portion of the message immediately after the reading of it, saying that he (DOUGLAS) made it without deliberation. [Here three cheers were given for DOUGLAS with astonishing applause, which was followed by hisses and an attempted ejection of the proposer and loud cheers for BUCHANAN.] Mr. WITZ continued—Mr. DOUGLAS arraigned the President in no very respectful terms. He argued that the people of Kansas were allowed to manage their own affairs in their own way, in being invited to elect delegates to the Lecompton Convention. He had learned on good authority that the Toombs' bill was submitted to the Committee on Territories, and the enabling act discussed in the house of Mr. DOUGLAS over night. Next day that bill was submitted to Congress with the enabling act stricken out. He alleged that the friendship of Mr. DOUGLAS to others was dangerous. He (WITZ,) wished to read no man out of the party, but when his actions cause approving smiles from the opposition, the door being open, no one would prevent him leaving. He is himself to blame.

Senator BRIGHT, of Indiana, was the next Speaker. He said he had not had time to prepare himself to speak on the subject of the President's policy as fully as he desired. Every word he might say here would go before another tribunal—the people of Indiana. If he neglected Indiana or forgot her interest, might Heaven forget him. Territorial acquisition and government was a most intricate question, and had caused much trouble. He referred to the Democratic policy in reference to the admission of new States since the establishment of the Confederation, saying it had always been favorable. In order not to be misunderstood he would place himself right before the people by explaining the position he intended to take in the Senate. He had prepared a written statement from which he read the doctrine of non-intervention as laid down.

The Nicholson letter always met with cordial approval. "Mind your own business," was applicable to public as well as private affairs. He argued that the Lecompton Convention was constitutional, and when Kansas was brought before the Senate for admission under that Constitution, he should vote in favor thereof, without stopping to inquire whether it was with or without Slavery. He believed with the Administration that it would have been the most wise policy to have submitted the whole Constitution. But this action of the representatives of the people themselves, we must not question. The Constitution of the United States was not submitted to the direct vote of the people, but only to the Legislatures. To no new State since the formation of the confederacy had the Constitution been submitted. There is no precedent for such a course, and surely no evil can come if we follow the steps of our revolutionary fathers! Why should a new test be applied to Kansas when only one test is required for the Constitution of the United States "it shall be republican in form." I deny the right to travel outside of the requirements of the Constitution. I will not state what are my *private wishes and feelings*. I am no apologist and never have been an advocate of Slavery, but I never let my private feelings interfere with my public duties. When I consider the slight difference between the Topeka and Lecompton Constitutions, when the Slavery question is omitted, I must conclude that there is not a great difference of opinion relative to other subjects. I prefer the latter to the former, because it comes in an authentic form from the people themselves through their chosen representatives. But it is argued that the Convention was elected by a minority, and its actions do not reflect the will of the people. Then it is their own fault. All had an opportunity of voting. But for them to urge their own misconduct as a reason for rejecting the admission is ridiculous. My course of duty is plain. I shall sustain the President whenever he obeys the political creed, and shall abandon him only when he forsakes the platform, and that is the Constitution.

Speeches were made by other gentlemen, and the following resolutions, which had been submitted early in the evening, were adopted:

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, The measures and principles of the Administration of President BUCHANAN, as thus far developed, in relation to the affairs of Kansas, have been the subject of the bitter denunciation of our political opponents, who in their unwise zeal are willing to destroy the harmony of the Union, by raising false issues before the people; and

Whereas, It is the determination of the Democratic Party to adhere firmly to those well-established landmarks, which in time of sectional conflict and great political excitement have proved to be the only security to the political institutions of this vast and prosperous nation; and

Whereas, The conduct of partisans has renewed the occasion when it becomes necessary in a public manner to declare our continuous confidence in the cardinal doctrines of independent State sovereignty and constitutional liberty, as applicable to the management of the Territories of the United States, and their admission into the Union as States; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Democracy of Philadelphia, with signal unanimity, cordially indorse, approve, and do and will support the Administration of President BUCHANAN.

That in his first Message we recognize the language of the patriot. That this language enunciates the principles of the National Democratic Party, and justifies the confidence which the people have placed in him.

That we are perfectly satisfied that President BUCHANAN has not and can have no other desire, in the discharge of the functions of his high office, than to advance the true interests, honor and dignity of the Union—that his abilities have been proved to be of the most distinguished order, his character eminently conservative, and his councils wise; and we believe the people of the country, in every part of it, cannot commit a mistake in rallying around such a man and sustaining him in his efforts to settle all existing difficulties in which the country may be involved, whether foreign or domestic. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Government of the United States is a Government of delegated power; that within the limits of its functions it is the supreme—the sovereign power of the land; and the idea that this supreme power can be properly overruled in its exercise, either by those from whom it is delegated, or those for whose government such power may be exercised, is a heresy, dangerous to the perpetuity of civil institutions and constitutional liberty, and tends to create confusion and anarchy in any condition of organized society.

Resolved, That while it is true that the Government of the United States is within the limits of its constitutional functions, the sovereign power of the land, it is equally true that in all matters not included within the grant of power to the Federal Government, the *right of absolute sovereignty is reserved to the States* respectively and the people thereof, and that any interference on the part of the General Government with powers not expressly granted is inexpedient and dangerous, and should be and is discountenanced by the Democratic Party, as no less a violation of the reserved rights of the States as would be the attempt on the part of any of *the States or the people* thereof, except in due form of law, to interfere with the *rightful exercise of the powers* expressly granted to the General Government.

Resolved, That in the application of the principles contained in the foregoing resolutions, the Democracy of the city of Philadelphia, responding to the National Democracy of every State in the Union, declares that Congress has no power, directly or indirectly, *to interfere* with the local institutions of the several States; and that in all matters not within the powers delegated by the Constitution, the States are the only judges of their own affairs. But in the Territories of the United States, which belong alike to the people of every State and section of the Union, the sovereign power, so far as delegated at all, is vested in Congress. This power should, however, be exercised with a strict regard to all the rights reserved to the States, and in exercising this sovereign power, it is incumbent upon Congress to protect within the Territories all the rights of property, personal security and personal liberty which the citizens from the various sections of the country locating in the Territories enjoyed within the States from which they respectively emigrated, and this duty should be properly discharged up to the time when, under a Constitution duly framed, such Territory shall by Congress be recognized as an independent State.

Resolved, That the Territorial Legislature of Kansas which authorized the election of the Lecompton Convention, was a lawful Legislature, which, in giving authority to said Convention to frame a Constitution, clearly acted within the scope of its powers. That the fact that the Legislature did not require said Convention to submit the Constitution to a vote of the people, does not affect its legality. That neither said Legislature, nor the Convention which framed the Constitution, having deemed it expedient, save in respect to the institution of Slavery, to submit said Constitution to a vote of the people, it is unconstitutionally the duty of the President, when such Constitution shall be sent to him by the Convention to Congress through the hands of the Executive, respectfully to receive and to transmit the same to Congress, and if said Constitution, in the opinion of Congress, shall meet the requirements of the Federal Constitution, it will be the duty of Congress to respond to the wishes of the people of Kansas, thus legally expressed through their chosen agents, by admitting Kansas into the Union.

Resolved, That if the settlement of Kansas had been effected according to the usual principles of emigration to the new Territories, the question of slavery would have been peacefully determined by the people. Instead of this, large sums have been raised out of the Territory, with which emigrant aid societies and others have been employed in forcing its settlement with a view to this question. The consequence has been that the opponents of law and order have, from the beginning, been in a state of rebellion against the Territorial Government established by Congress, requiring the Government of the United States to keep a large military force in Kansas to maintain the Territorial Government in existence against those who oppose the lawful authority of the United States and of the Territory.

Resolved, That the great doctrine of popular sovereignty, which is the foundation of all our institutions, can be carried into effect only through the medium of representatives of the people in an organized Government.

That in conformity with this principle, the Legislative Assembly of Kansas passed a fair law for the election of delegates to a Convention to frame a Constitution and State Government, preparatory to admission as a State into the Union; that the violators of law who had constantly refused to submit to a Territorial Government opposed it, and did not vote at the election. A fair opportunity, however, for such purpose having been presented, they have no right to complain.

Resolved, in the language of the President's Message, "that Kansas has for some years occupied too much of the public attention. It is high time this should be directed to far more important objects. When once admitted into the Union, whether with or without Slavery, the excitement beyond her own limits will speedily pass away, as she will then for the first time be left, as she ought to have been long since, to manage her own affairs in her own way."

Resolved, That the question now raised in relation to the action of the lawful authorities in Kansas, is the same old question recurring in a new form between the Democratic Party and their Black Republican opponents. It is the same party issue modified which was raised against the Compromise Measures of 1850, and against the Kansas-Nebraska bill of 1854. At present it assumes the shape of preventing the admission of Kansas into the States, under the provisions of the Kansas bill. Agitation is the only political weapon of those who have heretofore and still oppose the operation of that law. Political power is their object, and in order to attain it they are willing to hazard the peace and security of the Union for the sake of a thousand men in Kansas who have been in constant resistance to the Constitution and the laws.

Resolved, That it is manifest, had any Constitution which the ingenuity of man could have devised—even the Topeka Constitution—been presented to the Black Republican Party by the Lecompton Convention, that party would have voted against it, because it is their object not to settle the question, preferring to destroy the interests of the Territory for the purpose of keeping up agitation on the Slavery question throughout the States of the Union until the next Presidential election.

Resolved, That while we recognize in the fullest extent the right of the people of a Territory, when duly qualified, to make a Constitution, to submit it to a vote of the people, yet the people of Kansas not having seen fit so to submit the whole Constitution, but having *submitted* the only question about which there has been practically any division of sentiment, we hold it to be the duty of all conservative men to attend the polls and vote for or against Slavery, and nothing but a spirit of disorganization and rebellion can encourage them in doing otherwise. And above all do we desire to urge upon all good members of the great Democratic Party the necessity of preserving among themselves the the kindest feelings upon this subject, and especially that they will not permit the efforts of our common enemy (no matter from whom they receive aid and comfort) to succeed in stirring up animosities upon questions which, by the fixed purpose of the Administration, will soon be of no real practical importance to those outside of the Territory.

The meeting then adjourned.

Marine Disasters.

NORFOLK, Monday, Dec. 28.

The schooner *S. C. Watts*, from Boston, bound to Norfolk, is ashore at Cape Henry. Assistance has been sent down to her.

The schooner *C. G. Waterbury*, from Attakapas, bound to New-York, with a cargo of sugar and molasses, is also ashore. The wreckers have gone down to her assistance.

The News of Walker's Capture in Mobile.

MOBILE, Monday, Dec. 28.

Great excitement has been occasioned here by the news of the intervention of the Government in Nicaraguan affairs.

The Minnesota Election—Choice of United States Senators.

CHICAGO, Monday, Dec. 28.

Advices have been received announcing the completion of the official canvass of the late election in Minnesota. The entire Democratic State ticket was chosen.

Hon. HENRY M. RICE and Hon. JAMES SHIELDS were elected United States Senators by the Legislature of Minnesota, on the 19th instant.

The Arago Passed Cape Race.

ST. JOHNS, N. F. Monday, Dec. 28.

A side-wheel steamer, with two smoke-stacks, passed Trepassy, close in, at 4 P. M. on Saturday, bound for the westward. It was probably the *Arago*, which will be due in New-York about Wednesday morning.

The NEWS Yacht of the Associated Press was wrecked in the gale of the 7th inst. Repairs have been made, and she is expected to leave port to-day.

Arrest for Forgery.

BOSTON, Monday, Dec. 28.

JOHN W. MACY, of Nantucket, has been arrested in New-Bedford, charged with obtaining $4,500 on a forged letter of acceptance, purporting to be signed by JOSIAH MACY & SONS, of New-York.

The Weather.

ALBANY, Monday, Dec. 28.

The weather is cold, and snow is falling lightly. The steamer *Hero* has reached here from New-York, after a hard passage of 35 hours. She leaves to-day to attempt the return passage.

SCHENECTADY, Monday, Dec. 28.

The weather is mild, with snow. The thermometer stands at 22°. Wind southeast, with indications of a change from snow to rain.

BOSTON, Monday, Dec. 28,—9 A. M.

Weather cloudy, with indications of snow. Wind southwest.

PORTLAND, Me., Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

It is snowing hard here.

EXETER, N. H., Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

The snow is coming down thick and fast here.

FITCHBURG, Mass., Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

It is snowing heavily here.

MONTREAL, Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

The weather here is very cold and it is snowing.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

There are indications of snow here.

SOUTH BERWICK, Me., Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

A thick snow-storm is prevailing here.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

It is blowing a gale here from the southwest. The thermometer stands at 21° above zero.

HALIFAX, Monday, Dec. 28—9 A. M.

The weather here is hazy, cold and calm.

[illegible] Mose Taylor, [illegible] of which was [illegible] and [illegible] of her engines, [illegible] which were [illegible] to be practically tested, gave additional interest to the occasion, and drew together several hundred scientific men, merchants, ship-captains [illegible] making a party of nearly two hundred persons. The new Velocimeter of L. D. Townsend, which records the rate of the ship's progress per hour through the water, the distance run, leeway, etc., was put on board to receive a practical test. The steamer left her pier, foot of Warren-street, North River, shortly after 11 o'clock, being cheered by crowds from the neighboring steamers, and from the City of Jersey City. She was decorated fore and aft with a set of beautiful flags presented, as is customary, by the gentlemen whose name she bears. After a short run in the North River, she was headed down the bay, passing the Battery at 11:30 A. M. A strong [illegible] slightly interfered with her speed, she being light and drawing only about ten feet of water. It became soon apparent that she was to be classed among the rapid vessels. With a low pressure of steam, only 34 pounds to the square inch, her engines worked with great ease, making 16 revolutions, which at 20 feet were increased to 22 revolutions per minute. The velocimeter indicated 10 knots, which at 20 feet [illegible] to 12 miles when at the higher pressure she made 22 revolutions. The remarkable fact, [illegible] of Sandy Hook, one hour and forty-nine minutes from the dock, being as Capt. McGowan, the pilot, said, the quickest time he had ever made in a steamer before. The somewhat rough sea which prevailed outside, she rode with an ease and grace which excited the admiration of the whole ship's Company, except those who were troubled with too much fullness of their stomachs to permit them to admire the motion of the steamer. Turning towards the Hook, the steamer *Black Warrior* was met bound out, and to test the rate of the new steamer's speed, the *Mose Taylor* sailed in company with her for fifteen or twenty minutes down the beach, keeping up with her easily. A due respect to the old *Warrior* prevented any attempt to run round her.

Much of the attention of the party was occupied by Mr. DICKERSON, the partner of Mr. SEMPLE, in explanations and experiments on the working of the new cut-off and link motion. It is so arranged that by the turning of a horizontal wheel the most inexperienced person can perfectly regulate the motion of the engines,—stop or back them at pleasure. By pulling a bell-wire, the man at the wheel, who should suddenly observe any vessel or other obstruction ahead, can stop the engines instantly, without waiting the old, and often too slow motion of the engineer. The machinery, in all its parts, worked to the satisfaction of all, and the new adjustments were declared to be an immense gain in point of convenience, safety and economy.

The party sat down to a bountiful collation, after which there were toasts and speeches. The health of MOSES TAYLOR was given with all the honors. Mr. TAYLOR was not on board—after which the party drank the health of MESSRS. O. ROBERTS and Captain MCGOWAN. These toasts were suitably responded to by General WESTBROOK, Chas. A. ROSSITER, Esq., ISAAC M. BAILEY, Esq., and others. A gentleman then proposed the health of Mr. SEMPLE and Mr. DICKERSON, to which the latter gentleman responded in a lengthy speech, in which he referred to the merits of the improved cut-off and link motion, and criticized with much severity the Novelty Works people in repudiating and hoisting them out of the *Adriatic* without trial.

The following are the dimensions of the new steamer:

Length, 250 feet; breadth, 36 feet; depth of hold, 23 feet; measuring about 1,700 tons. Her machinery was built by the Allaire Works, and half by WM. WEBB. She has two beam engines of 30 inch cylinder and 10 feet stroke, connected by a cross-head, and can be disconnected and worked separately at low pressure, return through boilers 26 feet long, 10 feet wide, and 10 feet high. The vessel complete cost $250,000. She can accommodate over 200 passengers. Unlike the other steamers, she has state-room accommodations for over a hundred passengers on the upper deck, with all the light and ventilation which could be enjoyed on a South river steamer. To guard against the possibility of a [illegible] the Central Americans, there is but one large deck-light, which are placed around the upper deck of the ship, where no danger can arise from their being left open. She sails on the 5th of January for Aspinwall.

The officers of the ship are:

JOHN MCGOWAN, Commander.
CHARLES E. HOWARD, First Officer.
Mr. SLOAN, Second Officer.
Mr. GREGORY, Third Officer.
Mr. REYNES, Steward.
DAVID A. RAYMOND, Purser.

Later from Havana.

ARRIVAL OF THE EMPIRE CITY—BUSINESS AT HAVANA—THE "SARATOGA" EN ROUTE FOR NEW-YORK WITH WALKER'S MEN,

THE NILE.

[illegible] Hagar Silsilis, the Rock of the Chain—Egyptian Women.

HAGAR, March.

Below Assouan the aspect of the Nile changes. Nubia, I have before remarked, is very narrow. The mountains rise abruptly from the river, and the cultivated land on each side is but a few rods in width. The overflow of the river, which is so sensible a blessing below the first cataract, which is indeed the life and soul of the land, produces very little effect between the first and second cataract, crowding no land except the sleeping banks of the stream, which recede a few feet on each side. But having passed Assouan, at a distance of a few miles below that point the luxuriant land of Egypt begins to attract the eye, waving fields of corn and grain, and glorious visions of the vast valley, rich in all the produce of this willing soil, rest the eye that is weary of the yellow sand and rocks of the upper country. The alternation of groves of palm, and broad waves of golden sand, immediately below Assouan, makes these twenty miles among the most beautiful on the river, and with a fresh breeze and a strong current in our favor, it was unspeakably delicious to lie on deck, and see the ever-changing landscape.

We ran from Assouan to Kom Ombos in about twelve hours, and then the wind forsook us and we slept and drifted on all night down the grand old river.

It was a glorious morning of January when we approached Hagar Silsilis, the Rock of the Chain. I went on shore early in the morning and walked down the east bank of the river, attended by Mohammed Hassan, the most faithful of our sailors, and whom we had promoted to be a general attendant in lieu of a workman at the oars. We were climbing among the rocks on the east bank after rabbits or hares, of which we had gotten two or three, when I was startled by hearing him cry "Howaggi, Howaggi," in a tone of voice that indicated either great delight or great surprise, I could not tell which. Hastening around a corner of the rock I found him most violently at work among the few green bushes that grew in the soil among the rocks, tearing them up as if he were crazy. As I approached he ran to me for my knife and said, pointing to the bush, "It is Yasmeen." I found that he was correct and that he had discovered a plantation of Jessamine, which to the Turk is like a mine of gold. The long stem of this plant makes the most expensive and highly-valued pipe stick, and Mohammed had found twenty most excellent sticks. Meantime the boat came drifting down the stream and the Reis, who was on deck, shouted to know what we were about. At the magical word, "Yasmeen," he tumbled into the small boat and hastened on shore, when he proceeded to help himself to all that we had left, and while he was doing so, having secured a few of the best sticks and a bunch of the sweet blossoms for the ladies, I strolled on down the river and soon lost myself in the vast quarries of sandstone which are here, and from which Karnak and all the glories of Thebes were cut out in long-gone ages. Here were vast channels cut in the rock a hundred feet deep and not more than twenty in width, extending from the shore far back into the heart of the mountain, where they widened into the quarries of which I speak. Many temples were left in the rock, many grottoes hewn out and adorned with paintings and sculpture, and many niche-like recesses carved with the names of kings and princes and priests of thrice thousand years ago. Of the memorials of art nowhere except in Nubia do the antiquarian none can [illegible] the boat I had the small boat [illegible] and crossed the river to the western bank, where there are fewer quarries and more temples or grottoes, and the large boat swung in to the bank just under the entrance to one of these which bears the name of the great RAMESES III., the first king of the Greek historians.

I have already said that I should not weary the readers of these letters with description of places and ruins in Egypt. It is but my design to give passing sketches of our own travel. I would like well to linger on these scenes and sketch the places that my readers might understand better our daily life and studies; but it must suffice here to say that the west bank of the river is lined with rocks rising more or less abruptly from the river, and that in the faces of these rocks are cut cavern-like tomb-like rooms, some small, some large, all more or less ornamented with paintings and sculpture, and many of great interest to the Egyptian scholar, as dating far back in the history of this oldest of nations. It is vain for any man of ordinary mind to resist the feelings that come over him in such places. Whether tomb or temple, if he stands in the place hollowed out or built by human hands three thousand years ago, he will bow down in awe before that memorial of antiquity. We are too short-lived, too evanescent, too much the creatures of a day to dare resist, or to be able to resist the demand for respect which a monument of thirty centuries makes on us. Nor can we ever accustom ourselves to it by ordinary travel. Six months in Egypt produces no diminution in this respect, though every day of those six months brings with it another of the grand relics of the world close after the flood. We live years in days, months—nay, I might well say years in hours. We pass, by an effort of thought that becomes no less startling and painful from its frequency, we pass from the presence of this age and time into the presence of the men of those old ages and times—into their actual physical presence—grasp their thin, dark fingers in our fleshy hands, gaze into their dim, vacant eyes, and question them; and when they reply not, we look up at the walls of their sepulchres and read the lines they carved, and seem thus to hear their voices.

The evening came on as we were leaving Hagar Silsilis, but as there was yet an hour or two to spare before dark, I walked on down the west side of the river while the boat drifted. A few moments brought me out of the narrow pass and into the open cultivated plain below, where the sound of my gun, as I shot two or three pigeons, brought some of the natives around me, out of the cornfields, in which they were now gathering the ripe corn. They asked me if I wanted a *timsa*—that is, a crocodile—and I, not knowing whether they intended one dead or alive, told them I did, and directed them to bring it. While I strolled along the side of the river, a man and a woman overtook me, trotting along, each one carrying a crocodile on top of his or her head. They were dead and stuffed. One of them a sailor bought for a few piastres, which afterward graced the front door of an Egyptian house in Cairo, where it hangs to keep off evil spirits.

LAURIE THOMSON ON THE INDIAN MUTINY.—The new volume of the *Cambridge Essays* was issued in London on Friday afternoon, the 11th, the day the mail left. The article of chief note is an elaborate paper by Mr. CHARLES BUXTON, M. A., of that University, son of the late well-known Sir FOWELL BUXTON, and author of a biography of that eminent philanthropist. Mr. BUXTON, who is member of Parliament for Newport, in the Isle of Wight, discusses at great length and with extraordinary industry and research, "The Questions Raised by the Mutiny;" and these are his conclusions from the facts known: "The cartridges were the real cause of the mutiny. This went to show that only by the strictest tolerance can our empire be preserved—a tolerance, however, which ought not to extend to religious cruelties, and which need not make us humor the pride of the Brahmins in our terms of enlistment. Our administration of India has had signal merits, but wants stimulus. This impulse would be given, in the first place, by giving more power to the local authorities; and again, by giving to each of the five great divisions of India a really independent Government, in all matters of administration, and by surrounding each Governor with a large Legislative Council of experienced civil and military officers, assisted, perhaps, by selected natives. If not, then by combining the Court of Directors and the Board of Control, with large additions of retired Anglo-Indians, in a Council; its deliberations to be public. The seat of Government should be in the hill country, instead of Calcutta. The Governor-Generalship and Lieutenant-Governorships should be the prizes of the most distinguished ability displayed in India. The freedom of the Indian press is, upon the whole, a good, not an evil. The seniority system in the army should be freely broken into. The military officers should no longer be drafted off to civil appointments. A better proportion must be kept between the European and native troops, but this rather by lessening the latter than by increasing the former. The artillery and forts should only be intrusted to Europeans. No military expenditure would be so effective as that upon railways, it might lead the natives to greater loyalty if the Queen were called Empress of India. Lastly, it is our duty, as a Christian country, to show equal energy of purpose in our gratitude and in our vengeance."

City Profligacy—Payments for the Street Commissioner's Office.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Having a little business at the Record Office yesterday, Mr. FLAGG with his usual urbanity handed me a copy of his *estimates* "for tax levy for the year 1858."

These reports have for so long a time been of so similar a character that if the dates were altered the City need scarcely be put to the expense of publishing them; in a word they are but a synopsis of profligate expenditures, to say nothing of the bare-faced frauds impressed upon most of its pages.

I do not believe such conduct would be tolerated in any other corporation in the world, for when it was once attempted in London, the Government threatened to take away its charter. And if the City is to be ruled by the miserable creatures who have had possession of it for a series of past years, the sooner the State takes from it *its* Charter, the better: for the City Government is not only a disgrace to itself, but to the Union.

If we ever expect to get on, the Common Council must be taken from the body of the people—in that case a better chance would be had of selecting respectable men, besides we should do as the Athenians did: compel under a pretty sharp penalty every property holder to vote. I am driven into these remarks upon turning to one page of frauds, brought upon the City by the strange conduct of the Corporation Counsel. Hear what Mr. FLAGG says on pages 26 and 27 of his "report:"

"By an ordinance passed by the Common Council June 26, 1857, the number of officers in the Street Department was increased to nearly twice the number required for the same service under former ordinances, (besides the number added in organizing the Bureau of Repairs and Supplies and of Lamps and Gas,) and the salaries increased to more than twice the amount formerly paid for the like service in that department. About the time of the adoption of the ordinance before referred to, C. DEVLIN was appointed Street Commissioner by the Mayor, and most of the incumbents under the former Street Commissioner (TAYLOR) were removed, and others appointed instead, while the title to the office was claimed by D. D. CONOVER, under an appointment from the Governor. In this state of affairs, the Comptroller refused to pay the salaries of the officers in the Street Department, until the title to the office was decided by the courts. The appointees of Mr. DEVLIN soon after prosecuted their claims for salary, and *as the Counsel to the Corporation would not allow a defence to be set up against the legality of Devlin's appointment*, there was no sufficient defence to prevent the recovery of judgment upon their claim for services that have never been rendered; they being, most of the time, under an injunction of the Supreme Court, and restrained from the performance of any duties under these appointments, and *judgments have been recovered against the Corporation, from month to month, and payments have been made upon the executions.*"

How a man capable of uttering such truly beautiful sentiments as Mr. BUSTED did at a Ward School, and published in the *Evening Post* of the 26th inst., could falsify himself as is above shown, is more than I can understand. Mr. BUSTED should know that the people of this City are his clients, and that when he forgets this, and goes to scheming either with Mr. LOWBER, Mr. DEVLIN or who not, he forgets his oath, and his duty to God and the People.

The Governor should instantly remove Mr. BUSTED from office; his power was given him for like purposes, and if he is not removed, then the Statute was made in vain, for it is difficult to conceive of a more wanton and flagrant dereliction of official duty. than, not only the present case presents, but many others that have so often been exhibited to the people of a like flagrant character, that time would be misspent by exhibiting them again.

I have gone over the items thus paid to DEVLIN, and his score of retainers, since the Supreme Court decided that he *was not* Street Commissioner amounting to the sum of about $65,000, not one dollar of which has been earned by him or them; and unquestionably a like sum, will have to be paid to Mr. CONOVER, the Acting Street Commissioner, thus making the sum of $130,000, to two sets of officials. The actual cost of the labor rendered by all of them could readily be performed by competent men for about the sum of two thousand dollars, and they would be well paid at that. The administration of the affairs of the City is a sad commentary of the ability of men in large communities to rule themselves, and the very demagogues who are crying, "Democracy! Democracy!" the loudest, are the most ravenous to glut themselves with the hearts' blood of their victims, whom they thus delude. How many of the poor and needy, with their little children now hovering over a few embers, thinly clad and poorly fed, would be made comfortable with a tithe of this $65,000 worse than stolen from the City treasury? Yet these heartless sticklers for equal laws, and equal rights, betray you first, and then plunder you.

Mr. FLAGG'S character as an honest man is above suspicion, but it seems to me he should have made public, through the press, these monthly frauds, and had he done so, if no one had stepped forward to protect the City by legislation, then he would have done his duty, and not until then. B.

Curious Coincidences.

YOSEMITE, Monday, Dec. 28, 1857.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

While on a visit to Europe, some ten years ago, at the time when the *Great Britain* steamship went ashore on the northern coast of Ireland, it was my fortune to suggest a plan for getting her off the rocks, upon which she thumped for some three or more months, which was first published in the *Carmaethen Journal*, a provincial paper, and afterwards in the London *Times*, on the very same morning with the letter of a Captain of the Navy, advocating a plan on the same principle, which plan was adopted with complete success.

In your valuable paper, of Dec. 12, I was permitted to suggest a mode of "launching large ships," by means of "an artificial basin or dock, located in close proximity to the river, into which the water might be permitted to enter and float her, when completed." In the London *Times* of the 12th of December, I find the following question asked relative to the launching of the *Leviathan*, being precisely similar to the one propounded by me through your paper of the same date!

"Why was not the *Leviathan* built, to begin with, [illegible] of her own, which would, upon the water [illegible] to, have [illegible] to launch her [illegible] into the Thames?"

It certainly is strange that two writers should, at a distance of 3,000 miles from each other, and on the same day, publish the same idea, on the same subject, and almost in the same words; but it appears stranger yet that such a simple and cheap plan for the launching of large ships should not long since have been adopted.

Respectfully, DIX.

M. Millaud, Owner of La Presse.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The well-known impartiality of your paper leads me to hope that the following statement will be acceptable:

In the letter from Paris of the 26th of October, 1857, signed "Malakoff," and published in your paper of Saturday last, it is said that "M. MILLAUD, the millionaire owner of the *Presse*, who bought his way into the ranks of journalists in order to gain a respectability in society, which his millions alone would never have given him," &c., &c. Allow me to say that the writer of that letter has been misinformed; before M. MILLAUD acquired his fortune, his rare intelligence and remarkable aptitude was shown by his successful career as an editor, and it is a title of which he is justly proud.

If the author of the article had been himself present at any of the entertainments given by Mr. MILLAUD, at which the beautiful Mme. MILLAUD presides with exquisite grace and elegance, he would have met there the best society that Paris affords in birth and talent, as well as in wealth, and might have been witness also to the respect and affection with which he is regarded by his earlier colaborers, who have always found M. MILLAUD the same before as well as after the acquisition of his fortune, and which it would be wrong to taunt or reproach him with, since it has been used for the good of others and never to do any one harm. JUSTICE.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Dec. 28, 1857.

Overland from St. Petersburg to the Mouth of the Amoor.

From the San Francisco Herald.

We had, yesterday, an interview with Mr. P. McD. COLLINS, who arrived in this city a few days ago, having traveled over land from St. Petersburg to the mouth of the Amoor River. The journey occupied exactly one year. Twelve months ago Mr. COLLINS left St. Petersburg, traveled from thence to Moscow, by railroad and, from thence through Siberia, in sledges and telegas, to Chetah, the capital of the Trans-Baikal province, situated on the River Ingodal, one of the main sources of the Amoor, where he waited for the breaking up of the ice in the river, and then, accompanied by four Cossack soldiers, and by Mr. FULHELM, the Governor of the Russian-American Company at Ayan, proceeded down to the Amoor, and along that river to the Pacific. From Mr. COLLINS we have obtained much interesting information in relation to the vast region through which he traveled, and about which so little is known. He speaks in the highest terms of the Russian officials, with whom he had intercourse. Americans are everywhere highly regarded by the Russians, and are always treated with every courtesy and respect. The party of which Mr. COLLINS formed one were not molested by the nomadic tribes who inhabit a great portion of the region through which they traveled. They found it necessary, however, to be cautious in their intercourse with them. During his journey, Mr. COLLINS stopped for some time at Kyackta and Miamattschin. These towns are located side by side. The former is inhabited by the Russians, and the latter by the Chinese. The boundary line of the two nations runs between. It is marked only by a board fence. They are both walled in and fortified. At this point all the legitimate trade of the two countries is carried on. To Miamattschin the Chinese convey from the interior their teas and other goods on bullocks and camels, and to Kyackta the Russians bring their commodities, and in this way the exchange is made. The trade which centres at this point is estimated to amount to over thirty millions of roubles per annum. While at Kyackta Mr. COLLINS essayed to enter the Chinese dominions, and proceed to Pekin, which is about eight hundred and fifty miles to the South. He joined an Ambassador, sent out by the Russian Government to treat with the Emperor for the purchase of the country lying along the Amoor River.

The whole of this region, according to a treaty made in the reign of the Empress CATHERINE, belongs to the Chinese; but the Russians are now in possession of several portions of it. They are willing to acquire it by purchase; but if an overture to that effect is rejected, they are prepared to take it. Neither the Russian Ambassador nor Mr. COLLINS could obtain permission to proceed to Pekin, and they were both obliged to return. The Russians have greater facilities of obtaining correct views in relation to matters in China, than any other nation in the world. There is in Pekin what is termed the Russian College. It consists of ten missionaries of the Greek Church. These ten missionaries remain for ten years, and are then replaced by ten more. During the decade of their sojourn, they are not permitted to fill any vacancies that may be caused by death or any other casualty. They are treated in the Chinese capital with great respect, and are allowed a guard of honor. Through the agency of this College, the Russian Government obtains reliable information of everything that transpires at the Court of His Celestial Majesty. After his unsuccessful attempt to penetrate through the Chinese territory to Pekin, Mr. COLLINS proceeded to Chetah, situated at the head-waters of the Amoor River. The province of which it is the capital is rich in mineral resources. It is about as large as California. It abounds in mines of gold, silver and copper. The gold is found in river-beds and gulches. There are no quartz mines. The annual yield is estimated at five millions of roubles. The silver mines are very rich. They are both worked by the convicts transported to Siberia by the Russian Government, under the supervision of military officers. Private parties are not permitted to take out the precious metals in this section of the country. In other places, they are allowed to mine, under certain restrictions, and are obliged to pay the Government a certain percentage upon all they take out.

LIEUTENANT BEALE'S EXPEDITION—THE PACIFIC WAGON ROAD.—On Monday, Nov. 9, Lieut. E. F. BEALE, in charge of the Survey of the Pacific Wagon Road, arrived in Los Angeles, accompanied by Lieut. C. E. THORNBURN, U. S. N., the Superintendent of the Topographical Department. The following gentlemen composed the officers of the expedition, in addition to those above mentioned: Those appointed by the Secretary of War are, Messrs. ALEXANDER N. BRECKENRIDGE, ISAAC A. WORLEY, JAMES A. VIA, JAMES KING; those appointed by the Superintendent, Messrs. J. M. BELL, H. PORTER and M. M. STACY.

The survey of the Pacific Wagon Road was authorized by act of Congress, approved Feb. 17, 1857, and was completed to the Colorado River on the 19th ult. The survey was ordered on the line of the 35th parallel of latitude, and the route traveled has proved to be of the most favorable character. Very little work on one or two mountains will be required to make the road easy of travel. As it is, it presents fewer obstacles than any of the present traveled roads to California, and has the great advantage of being much shorter. Before, however, it will be safe for emigrants, something must be done with the Indians on the route—as it passes through the territories of the Apaches, Camanches, Navajoes and Mohaves. Although the survey party were not molested, emigrants might not fare so well. On the line surveyed, an abundance of grass, wood and water was found. The party arrived here in excellent health.—*Los Angeles (Cal.) Star.*

THE JAPANESE BECOMING LESS EXCLUSIVE—CONFIRMATION OF REPORTS FROM OTHER SOURCES.—We have been shown a letter from E. E. RICE, United States Commercial Agent at Hakodadi, to Captain TOOKER, of the *Ontario*, in which he communicates some facts of interest. He writes under date of Sept. 10: "The Japanese are becoming less exclusive. They now furnish in abundance for ship's use, hogs, potatoes, vegetables of all kinds, and rice. By a new treaty, made since you were here, Americans can reside here permanently after the 4th of July, 1858. I have no doubt that importations from the United States will be made soon, as at certain seasons of the year such merchandise would pay well. Americans residing here are subject only to American laws. The treaty is in force, so far as the Japanese are concerned. They say, 'Come, the more the better.' Mexican dollars only should be brought here. All other kinds are nearly worthless."—*Honolulu Commercial Advertiser.*

THE EMIGRANTS.

Rumors of a Battle—Dr. HURT's Narrative of his Escape—Departure of Mormons from California.

The California papers give currency to a rumor which had reached San Francisco from Portland, Oregon, to the effect that a battle had occurred between the troops and the Mormons, in which 160 men of the Government forces were killed. The report lacks confirmation. It probably grew out of an exaggerated account of the burning of the Government trains. The following is the *Alta's* version:

PORTLAND, Friday, Nov. 27, 1857.

EDITORS ALTA: By the steamer *Mountain Buck*, which arrived yesterday from the Cascades, we have a report that an express had arrived from Col. JOHNSTON, of the Salt Lake Expedition, with intelligence that the Mormons had cut off his train, and killed one hundred and eighty of his men, and he had been forced to retreat.

The above news was sent to Col. STEPTOE, at Fort Walla Walla.

The *Alta* adds that the distance from Harris Fork (at which point BRIGHAM'S declaration of war was received) to Fort Hall, in Oregon Territory, is about 150 miles, and from that point to Fort Walla Walla, it is about 600 miles. Expresses are frequently sent across, the time occupied being usually about 12 days from Fort Hall to Fort Walla Walla. So that it will be seen that ample time existed for the news to be sent, and therefore it is divested of improbability upon that score.

Neither time nor place, however, is mentioned; so that the story is still improbable. The reception of the news created a great excitement in San Francisco.

DR. HURT'S NARRATIVE OF HIS ESCAPE FROM UTAH.

Dr. GARLAND HURT, Indian Agent for Utah, has forwarded to Col. JOHNSTON an interesting narrative of his escape from Utah. He speaks in high terms of the Utah Indians, through whose agency he escaped:

To Col. Albert S. Johnston, Commander-in-Chief of the army for Utah.

SIR: Having recently fled from the Indian settlement on Spanish Fork, in the Territory of Utah, somewhat precipitately, and reached your command on Oct. 22, after wandering for 27 days through mountains and deserts, in company with the Utah Indians, I venture to trouble you with a brief statement of the circumstances which induced me to abandon the agency and intrust my life to the care and protection of the savages.

For some time previous to my departure, it had been the settled opinion of the people of Utah that the troops could not get further than Green River this season. Consequently, I concluded that the Territorial officials would not venture to cross the mountains before Spring, and under the embarrassed condition in which the retention of the mails, and the very unsettled state of Governmental relations with Utah, had placed me, I deemed it important to seek an interview with them before the Winter set in; and as I had been previously advised that no person would be allowed to leave the Territory or cross the mountains without the humiliating ceremony of applying to BRIGHAM YOUNG for a passport, the alternative of organizing an Indian escort suggested itself to my mind—the first conception of which grew out of the deep concern which these untutored creatures had for some time manifested for my safety. And I was the more inclined to avail myself of this suggestion from the fact that several chiefs of the Uinta country were then on a visit at the farm, soliciting me to accompany them to that valley for the purpose of inspecting the adaptation of its climate and soil to the cultivation of grain, as they had become much pleased with the course of policy we were pursuing toward the Indians in Utah County. On the morning of Sept. 27, while I was yet discussing the propriety of this resolution, some half dozen of the natives rushed into my office, exclaiming, "Friend, friend, the Mormons will kill you!" and pointed to the window on the eastern side of the house. On looking out, to my surprise I saw from 70 to 100 armed dragoons stationed in the road about a mile from the house; and, as I did not manifest quite so much concern as the Indians thought the occasion justified, they caught hold of me and gave me to understand that they would not let me stay any longer.

I commenced arranging my official papers so as to be able to remove them instantly, if necessary, for I did not understand what it all meant. In a few seconds another Indian ran in to inform me that the Spanish Fork Canon was full of Mormons armed with guns and pistols, who said that they were going to kill me, and he had scarcely time to tell his story when another came in great haste and said that a Mormon squaw at Springville had told him to run and tell me that the Mormons intended to kill me. He also reported a large body of armed men on the road between Springville and the Indian farm. It was also reported by another Indian that the Mormons at Payson, the town on the south, were all in arms, although it was the Sabbath.

The Indians would not quit my room, but began to gather up my bedding and wearing apparel, when my interpeter came into the apartment in an evident state of excitement, and exclaimed, "Doctor, you're gone in!" I asked what it all meant. He said it was understood all over the country that I was about leaving with the Indians, and handed me a note from Mr. BUTLER, the Bishop of the Spanish Fork settlement, stating that he had learned from various sources that I intended going out with the Indians in violation of the martial law now in force. He felt it his duty to inform me that I could not leave, that they had resolved to enforce the law at all hazards. I regret having mislaid this letter, but the above is its purport, which revealed to me the meaning of so much military array. To think that an officer of the Government should be thus menaced while in the peaceful discharge of his official duties, could not fail to excite in the bosom of any one possessed of a spark of patriotism, feelings of the most indignant scorn. To be detained by force, and used as a tool in a most treasonable opposition to the laws of the country, as occasion might require, or to fall a victim to that brutal revenge which seeks gratification only in the sacrifice of life, was too humiliating to contemplate for a moment.

I determined to extricate myself or die in the attempt, and turned to ask some one to bring my horse, but when I reached the door I found that the Chief's son, a sprightly boy, had already performed that service. While he was saddling him I gathered my papers and wearing apparel, threw them into some meal sacks and pitched them out of doors to the Indians, who all seemed eager to assist me in my escape. In the presence of an armed populace I set out with three Indian youths, whose names are PIEE, SAM and SHOWAN-SNOCKETS. Mr. JOSEPH P. WATERS, of Salt Lake City, also accompanied me. Instead of going East as our enemies expected, we took a western course, but when it was discovered that we intended to reach the mountains by a circuitous route, some half dozen persons on horseback came out from the town of Payson, to tap our course just ahead of us. We wheeled short to the right; but just in our front lay a small stream, so deep and miry that stock were not in the habit of crossing it. I urged my horse, and he attempted to clear it at a single bound, but failing to reach the opposite bank with his hind feet, he fell back into water and mud over the top of his hips. I alighted upon the bank over his head, and by pulling at the reins assisted him in extricating himself, which he did after several desperate struggles. My comrades spurred down the stream a little way, and had better success. Our pursuers were by this time within three or four hundred yards of us. I remounted in haste, and soon found to my great satisfaction that the stamina of the noble animal had not been exhausted, and that although I had lost my spur in the struggle I could dispense with its service.

At the distance of about two miles we reached the base of a low mountain ranging north and south. We gained its summit just as the sun was setting, and debated the propriety of pursuing further a western course; but just at this time a dispatch was brought to us by two boys from the old chief, telling us to be sure to return to the farm that night. Under these circumstances we determined to try a feint. We descended below the summit, only far enough to hide ourselves; and then turned north and continued on that course for two or three miles, until we thought our pursuers were about gaining the top of the mountain. Then we turned again upon the eastern slope, and dropped into a little hollow, where we waited for daylight to disappear. This completely foiled our enemies, for the ground was so hard and stony that they could not discover our trail.

When the half-grown moon began to shine upon the mountain slope, we remounted and bounded over the prairie toward the spot from which we had set out. We reached the farm about 8 P. M., and found about one hundred of our red friends awaiting our return, who manifested great joy at our arrival. My first inquiry was where the Mormons were, when twenty voices shouted, "Cotch-carry, Mormon!" (Not here, Mormon!) I had left some forty-five head of horses and mules, and was about inquiring what had become of them, when I discovered that most of them had been mounted by the Indians. They then related how they had sallied out during the day, and driven the enemy from the cañon by threats of what course they should pursue in case I and my comrades were murdered.

Taking some bread and meat that we found in the cellar, we made our escape that night up the Spanish Fork, in the direction of the Uinta country, and before 10 o'clock the next day had placed ourselves beyond the reach of our enemies. Before that hour in the morning we had also passed about 200 Indians, most of whom had left the farm the day before, and were halting to know the fate of "the American," as they called me. Before sunset all my papers, clothes, &c., were put in my possession.

Hence I have been entirely dependent upon these poor, untutored children of nature for life and sustenance. I have shared a liberal portion of their meagre hospitalities and crude sympathies; and though they were evidently conscious that they were unable to bestow on me the treatment to which I had been accustomed, they have manifested a devotion to my person and a regard for my safety in advance of their present knowledge of Christian civilization.

When we left the Indian settlement the season was mild and salubrious, but as early as Oct. 9 we encountered a severe snow-storm, which pelted without mercy upon the shivering skins of my naked escort. Also on Oct. 12 and Oct. 13, in crossing the Green River Mountains, we waded through snow knee-deep, subjecting my party to the utmost degree of privation and suffering. Yet throughout their attachment was unremitting, and they would often, around their camp fires, assure me that if any attempt were made to take my life, they would die in my defence. The weather is now becoming intensely cold. Even as early as Oct. 10, Winter appeared to have set in with unusual severity, while in [illegible] we had become short of provisions [illegible] to endeavor to extricate myself from my critical situation the last two days of my journey. Yet through all these privations I had the consolation of feeling perfectly assured that my companions would feel amply compensated if they could only be instrumental in restoring me to my friends, and rescuing me from that danger to which they had assured me that my life was exposed.

I feel it to be a duty which I owe to the Utahs to make a fair and candid exposition of these facts, for I doubt whether ever an agent of the United States in the Indian service has witnessed similar attachment to his person, or more loyalty to those laws and regulations which have been instituted for their government, than has been manifested in this instance.

The absence of any one in charge of the Superintendency of Indian Affairs for Utah Territory, I trust will constitute a sufficient apology for thus obtruding these facts upon your notice.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,
GARLAND HURT, Indian Agent.

DEPARTURE OF MORMONS FROM CALIFORNIA.

The Los Angeles *Star* understands that there is a very general movement among the Mormon population of San Bernardino County, with a view to their speedy departure for Salt Lake City. The *Star* says: "We know not the cause, whether it be in obedience to the call of the Church authorities, or from dissatisfaction with their Gentile neighbors, but we believe it is a fact, that many of the people there are selling of their property for the purpose of leaving this State for the modern Zion. We have heard of sales of valuable property being made there at great sacrifice. This will prove a good opportunity for those desirous of investing in real estate, as the tenements there are generally in good condition and well improved."

A letter from San Bernardino, in the *Evening Bulletin*, gives some startling particulars of the doings of Mormonism in that section:

"San Bernardino has been the repository of corruption, and a secret agent in carrying out Young's treasonable design against the Government. This place has been, and is yet, governed by a horde of bigamists, who are all traitors to the commonwealth of the United States. We have been overwhelmed by their numbers, and represented in the Legislature by their favorite, an old bigamist, who, with a zeal and zest for his peculiar principles, has openly preached treason on the Sabbath day in this city. During the last six months the Saints in San Bernardino have sent and taken several cases of revolvers, large quantities of rifles, and *four or five tons of gunpowder* to Utah. Now, last of all, they are going to Zion to participate in the glories of war, and to 'burn powder in Uncle Sam's face.'

Many of the leaders of the church and principal men of San Bernardino are selling out, and making preparations for a trip across the mountains, to assist the Prophet. Property of all kinds here is selling very low—real estate at from 20 to 50 per cent. less than cost. American cattle (milch cows) are selling at from $25 to $35; oxen from $50 to $75 per yoke; horses (California) various prices; corn from 25 to 50 cents per bushel; wheat and flour at various prices, but very low; furniture at the buyer's own prices. Speculators are busy."

MILITARY STRENGTH OF THE MORMONS.

The San Francisco *Herald* is informed by a gentleman recently from Utah, and who professes to speak *ex cathedrâ*, that the Mormons can bring into the field 17,000 troops. He, however, expresses the opinion, that they will not resort to hostilities; but at the same time, will not permit the troops of the United States to enter Utah. In the first place, we hardly think that the military strength of the Mormons, with their Indian allies combined, will reach over 10,000 men.

A Fresh Chapter of Murders.

MYSTERIOUS MURDER ON LAKE ERIE.

The *Evening Post* has the following: "A friend, who has just returned from the West, gives us a singular account of certain very strange circumstances, which are said to have occurred on the shore of Lake Erie.

A lady and gentleman, formerly residents of this City, had been spending several months in St. Louis, Missouri. They were in easy circumstances, and had a large circle of friends. A few weeks since the gentleman returned to this State on a visit, the principal object of which was to collect certain debts that were due to him. After he had been absent for several days, his wife in St. Louis received a letter from him, stating that he should speedily return. In happy expectation of this event, she awaited the proper time. After this she began to grow anxious, but still accounted for his delays by the uncertainties of railway travel, probable failure of trains to connect, &c. But, after a lapse of more than any reasonable number of days, and not receiving a word by mail or telegraph, her anxiety became intolerable, and inquiries were made, first at his place of departure, and then along the route.

About eight days since, in response to some of these inquiries, the wife received intelligence at St. Louis that a body had been found near the shore of Lake Erie, which answered to the description of her husband. It was subsequently identified—that is, as much as a corpse so mutilated could be—and an intimate friend of the supposed deceased went on a few days since to closely investigate the matter. There seems to be little doubt that the husband was murdered—in what way and by whom, can only be conjectured. The mystery is, how and for what purpose he left the regular trains to St. Louis, to which place he was, both for business and social reasons, desirous to repair with the utmost celerity.

The names are not revealed, and the facts have thus far been carefully kept from the journals, in the hope, it is supposed, that this secrecy may lead to more sure and prompt detection. The body of the murdered man had evidently been robbed, and there is no possible doubt that the crime was perpetrated for the sake of the money he was carrying to St. Louis—a sum not very considerable, not thought to exceed $1,600.

It is not impossible that some of these statements may not be accurate; but the narrative is here given as it was told to our friend by a gentleman of undoubted veracity.

A TEXAS TRAGEDY.

The Austin *State Gazette* says, "the following particulars come to us from Cora, Comanche Conuty:"

"On the 21st of November, a difficulty occurred in this County, between ABON NORTHCUT and SAM HOMSLEY, in which NORTHCUT was killed. A few days previous to the rencounter, NORTHCUT had made an effort to commit an outrage upon HOMSLEY'S wife. She succeeded in getting away from him unharmed, save the tearing off her dress, and ran to her husband, who was at work in a field one mile distant. HOMSLEY went to NORTHCUT'S house that evening without arms, but failed to see ABON, (he shut himself up in the house.) His brother, HAGAN, promised HOMSLEY that ABON should meet him the next day and render satisfaction, but he failed to do so, and the next thing HOMSLEY heard of ABON, he was well supplied with weapons, and bidding him defiance. On the 21st inst., HOMSLEY and his wife were passing by NORTHCUT'S house, NORTHCUT came out of the house and walked in the direction of HOMSLEY to a cow lot and stopped, pulling off his coat which exposed his weapons to full view. HOMSLEY told his wife to walk on, and he started towards him. NORTHCUT drew out his pistol and held it in his right hand hacking on the fence at the same time with an axe in his left hand. HOMSLEY advanced to within six or seven paces of him, and told him to lay down his pistol, whereupon each party made ready to shoot. HOMSLEY'S cap bursted; NORTHCUT fired but missed HOMSLEY; the second barrel of HOMSLEY'S gun fired and NORTHCUT fell to rise no more, his buck shot taking effect.

HOMSLEY is one of the first settlers of this County, and never had a difficulty in his life before."

THE ROCHESTER MURDER.

The *Union* says: "IRA STOUT is suffering severely from his injuries. His arm is very much swollen, and there is danger of sloughing at the elbow—if so, it will be a serious matter. MRS. LEFLER appears to be quite buoyant in spirits, and bears the pain attending her injuries with a great deal of fortitude. When the arm was set by the surgeon, she exhibited the same firmness that has characterized her conduct through the whole proceeding thus far. MARGARET STOUT, the mother of IRA, is held in jail by the Coroner."

THE MURDER AT NIAGARA FALLS.

The murder of JOHN HIGHLAND, at Niagara Falls, has been noticed. The murderer's name was HENRY KEYS, a Dutchman, living in the same town, who was caught while stealing clothes from HIGHLAND'S yard, and on being detected, stabbed HIGHLAND. After KEYS was secured, his premises were searched, and an immense quantity of stolen goods found. KEYS was a bricklayer by trade, but has followed up his thefts for two years or more. He is in custody.

The Westfield Tragedy.

The Springfield *Republican* gives full particulars of the murder of the STOUTS family at Westfield, Mass.:

"The family occupied the basement and the first floor above. Access to the floor was held by means of a stairway, and a door opened directly into the sitting-room. Upon bursting this open the body of the unfortunate woman was discovered lying on the floor, partially under a table above which the mirror hung. Her throat was horribly cut, and a deep slash across one hand, together with the appearance of the body, gave evidence of desperate—if brief and noiseless—struggle. Upon her bosom lay an empty razor-case, and the razor itself, covered with a thick clot of blood, lay beneath her. A bread-knife, also smeared with blood, lay upon the table, and it is supposed that she seized this to defend herself, but was almost immediately overcome. Around upon the floor lay the shirt and pantaloons of the murderer, liberally marked with the evidences of his crime. In the bedroom, adjoining, lay the two children, the eldest in the crib, the youngest on the bed, with their throats most brutally cut. The head of the youngest was nearly sawn off, and the throat of the elder had been so thoroughly gashed as to bear two distinct cuts upon the spinal column. In the room below, the table was spread for breakfast, and the coffee was in the coffee-pot untouched, leaving no doubt that it was just at breakfast hour that the murders were committed.

STOUTS was attached with the infections of Millerism in 1853 or '54, and for a long time yielded to its sway. He is said to have preached on two or three occasions, and peddled a Millerite chart about the country. In all other respects then his fanaticism on this point, he was generally considered sane.

In the sitting-room, where the murder of MARY STOUTS was perpetrated, a few friends of the deceased were collected, while about the doors small bands of [illegible]

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A LEGAL DECISION.—We [illegible] following from the Paris correspondent of the *Memphis Daily Appeal*:

"The son of a wealthy Jew banker in London became much attached to a young Christian, with whom his father opposed his union. When the son found that the father could not be induced to give his consent to the match, he concluded to marry without it. The father then threatened to withhold every shilling from him, whereupon the son replied that if the father did not intend to give him anything, he would become a Christian, and according to the law he would be entitled to one-half of his father's fortune. The father, much alarmed, flew to his lawyer, to inquire whether such a law really was in existence. The lawyer's answer was in the affirmative, but adding that if he would hand him over ten guineas, he would give him a plan by which he could frustrate his son's plans. The ten guineas were quickly produced. 'Now,' said the lawyer, quietly pocketing the money, 'all that remains for you to do, is to become a Christian also, and the law will not oblige you to leave your son a cent of your money.' The Jew hurriedly seized his hat, and left the lawyer without any further remark.

HORRID SPECTACLE AT AN EXECUTION.—GREENBURY O. MULLINEX was executed at Greencastle, Ind., on Friday last, for the murder of his wife. There was a large attendance from the country, although the execution took place within the walls of the prison, and was only witnessed by a few. The prisoner manifested the utmost indifference and levity while preparations for his execution were in progress. While the Sheriff was adjusting the rope about the prisoner's neck, he laughed and exclaimed, "It's getting pretty tight, BUZ!" As the drop fell, the rope broke! Blindfolded and choked, the prisoner still appeared to have reason and presence of

SANTA CLAUS.

BY AUG. MAYNARD.

The Children dream of Saint Claus—
They see a merry sleigh go
Bounding o'er swift, his sledge so light,
He stretch not the downy snow!

And now he checks his strong steeds, and
Upon the chimney top he stands
He disappears, with sackful laden
And now in each wish simply hands

Again he appears, in the sledge
His sackfu' gifts, and the clacking reins,
(Yet always, he does his work well Santa!)
Wants to touch their silken manes.

He plunge the startled elements reins:
Again he flies away, away,
Till not a child he loves may wake
To keep a joyless holiday.

The children dream of Santa Claus—
They see a merry sleigh go,
He stands so swift, his sledge so light,
He stretch not the downy snow!

'Tis well they cannot wake and see
The real Santa Claus—in tears,
With little stockings in her hands
Which elsewhere make in other years.

Twas well, I feel to-night, it was,
The wise thro' grief, could ever keep
The [illegible] to see faith,
Which gave its soul a happy sleep.

ROCHESTER, OCTOBER, Dec., 1857.

NEW-YORK CITY

City Mortality.

The following is the WEEKLY REPORT OF DEATHS in the City and County of New-York, from the 20th day of December to the 26th day of December, 1857: Men, 71; Women, 56; Boys, 30; Girls, 30; Total, 200. Adults, 127; Children, 73. Males, 110; Females, 117. [illegible]

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[illegible] 1 Scurvy 1
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The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, SUNDAY, DEC. 27, 1857.

THE NEW-YORK TIMES.

The DAILY TIMES [illegible] Served in the city [illegible] a week; mailed [illegible] a year.

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☞ We desire to repeat our standing notice that, under no circumstances, will anonymous communications receive any attention.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Commodore PAULDING's action in the arrest of WALKER is discovered and denounced by the Government at Washington, and it is believed that he will immediately be tried by Court-Martial for violation of his instructions.

Gen. WALKER yesterday surrendered himself to U. S. Marshal BURNHAM, in accordance with the terms of his parole, delivering a letter from Commodore PAULDING, ordering him to the Marshal's custody. It was agreed between Gen. WALKER and the Marshal that they should together visit Washington and have an interview with the Secretary of State. General WALKER did not leave town last evening, but will do so with Marshal BURNHAM as he accepts this morning. He received a great many friendly calls last evening at General HERNDON's residence.

The telegraph brings us advices of considerable interest from Kansas. Scattering returns of the election, held on the 21st, indicate that the Constitution with *Slavery* was adopted by a considerable majority, and that the vote cast was respectably large. Mr. DENVER had entered upon the duties of his office, and had issued a proclamation urging the peaceful adjustment of all differences. It seems probable that the Free-State men will decide to take part in the election for State officers, which takes place under the Lecompton Constitution on the 4th of January, in order to have control of the State Government in case Kansas should be admitted. This is a wise movement, and we trust it will be vigorously carried into effect. Reports, evidently exaggerated, are current of General LANE's attempts to promote civil war.

Official dispatches from the head-quarters of the Utah Army were received, yesterday, by the War Department, contemporary of the intelligence telegraphed from St. Louis, and published a few days since. The dispatches are dated Nov. 4. Colonel JOHNSTON writes that Colonel SAUNDERS with the mounted troops under the protection of his command, joined him at Black Fork on the 24 of November. His progress was very slow and tedious, the average being eleven miles a day. The draft animals were almost completely broken down. Colonel JOHNSTON supposed to march on Fort Bridger on the 6th of December. [illegible] Colonel CONNOR has no doubt of the hostile intentions of the Bannacks and their determination not to acknowledge the authority of the United States. He states the Indians mean to fight, [illegible] Among the documents transmitted by Gen. JOHNSTON are two letters from BRIGHAM YOUNG to his flock, filled with defiance and threats, and plentifully interspersed with his accustomed bombast and blasphemy.

Advices from Mexico, impatiently given in our telegraphic dispatches of yesterday, announce Gen. COMONFORT's complete assumption of the Dictatorship. According to the brief accounts received, the new Dictator seems to have accomplished his great feat with a skill that speaks well for the preservation of order in the Republic. Revolution in Mexico has been for a time quelled; yet, its suppression is accomplished by the majority of the people, who submit to this restriction of their rights in order that the Executive may more power to administer the law with greater promptness and effect. It is to be hoped that the insurrections and assaults that have reduced Mexico to her present deplorable condition will now be vigorously put down.

The steamship *Empire City* arrived at this port last evening, with later intelligence from Havana. There is no feature of special interest, politically or commercially, in the news. The *Empire City* reports that the U. S. sloop-of-war *Saratoga*, from Greytown, with WALKER's men, put into Havana on the 18th inst. for supplies. The *Fashion* was also at anchor in the same port.

A Democratic meeting was held in Philadelphia last night, to endorse Mr. BUCHANAN's Administration. The attendance was large, though but little enthusiasm was manifested. Ex-Chief-Justice LEWIS presided, assisted by a long list of Vice-Presidents and Secretaries. A sketch of the proceedings, together with the preamble and resolutions adopted, will be found elsewhere.

The official returns of the Montreal election, as announced by the Herald, show the election of Tim-[illegible] Mc[illegible] and Mr. Dorion, Oppositionists, and Mr. [illegible], Ministerial, as members of the Provincial Parliament.

The Board of Aldermen discussed the new Post-Office site and the propriety of erecting a new City Hall, last evening, without arriving at any conclusion. Both questions were finally referred to-day. The Committee on a site for a Post-Office reported that, upon the favor of obtaining of the Board of the City Hall Park, by exchange for the upper part, connect with that of the Custom-House, they prefer a site in Nassau-st.

In the Board of Councilmen last evening the tax levy for 1858 occupied the members in Committee more than four hours. A vote was reached, and the tax levy, including the expenses for the support of hospitals, the Tombs, the Penitentiary, the Alms-House, the Lunatic Asylum, the Insane Asylum

FROM KANSAS.

[illegible] Lecompton Constitution—The Fort Scott Affair.

LAWRENCE, K. T., Saturday, Dec. 19.

The Legislature [illegible] has been busy at work and the committees have given notice. The following bills were reported:

A bill submitting the Lecompton constitution on the 4th of January.

A bill for the organization of the Kansas Territorial Militia.

A bill for the punishment of fraudulent voting and for the protection of the ballot-box.

They repealed the Rotation Act, under which so many were [illegible] for "treason."

The only act of much importance to the Territory except this is the one for the organization of the Militia. The Governor has no power at authority to call the army of the United States to repel invasion, if the Militia are disposed to accomplish it without their assistance. There is no doubt that Jim Lane can organize a Territorial Militia able and willing to do the work. At all events we are willing to risk the chances, and will never call upon Uncle Sam to assist in any emergency, however embarrassing it may be.

The Legislature decided to adjourn to Lawrence immediately after convening at Lecompton on the 1st of January.

SEWARD, on receiving intelligence of the removal, said he came to this Territory a Pro-Slavery man; that all his affections and sympathies were with the South, but he did not think he was obliged to make a tyrant of himself or a hewer refuse to remain in the Democratic Party. Every Governor has come to this Territory a Democrat, and all have been removed for their lack of fidelity to the South.

[illegible] arrived here last night from the seat of war, and brought a dispatch from Major Abbott to Gen. LANE. The Major is an old settler here, and has been through the war. What he says can be relied on as correct. The dispatch has no date, and was evidently written in a hurry. The battle was on the little Osage, near Fort Scott, and came off on Thursday, the 17th inst. I subjoin the note from Major Abbott to Gen. LANE, that you may better understand their condition:

General LANE:—Dear Sir: The bearer, Mr. J. CLARK, will state to you in detail our position. We are in need of your counsel, aid and assistance of some kind. We have no information of the doings of the Legislature, and fear our action may not be satisfactory to our friends.

Rev. Mr. SEWARD, of Weakarusa, and five others, are prisoners at Fort Scott. We were attacked to-day by United States troops, U. S. Dragoons, to the number of about seventy men, and we drove them from the ground. The Marshal is mortally wounded.

Dr. [illegible] is here, and joins with me and others in a request to have you come to us immediately. Get all the information you can about United States troops. Bring some Sharpe's rifle caps.

Yours, in haste, J. B. ABBOTT.

The bearer informed me that at the time of the attack they had ten men in a block house, against about seventy-five Missourians. He reports that the Missourians lost four men, including U. S. Deputy Marshal Cross, who was shot through the breast and was thought mortally wounded.

One company of mounted men went down last night from this place and a reinforcement will be sent up immediately. If any further trouble arises, Gen. LANE is in town, and will order out the artillery if necessary.

SEWARD has been called on by the Pro-Slavery men for a detachment of troops. He has also sent a messenger to ascertain the extent of the outbreak.

S. C. R.

Latest and Important by Telegraph.

RESULT OF THE ELECTION—THE CONSTITUTION WITH SLAVERY CARRIED BY A LARGE MAJORITY—THE GOVERNOR ASSUMED BY GEN. CALHOUN—REVOLT.

St. Louis, Monday, Dec. 28.

Kansas advices to the 23d inst. have been received by the Republican. The Lecompton Constitution, with Slavery, was carried at the election on the 21st, by a large majority. The returns as yet received are, however, very meager. The Pro-Slavery vote at Shawnee was 700; at Albion, 300, and at Lexington about the same. It was reported at Lawrence that a body of Free State men were going to Lecompton to seize the Territorial arms.

Gentlemen from Kansas report the whole vote of Lecompton as 192, and the majority for Slavery 69.

No returns were received in Lawrence, and the poll-books were not opened at Topeka.

The Slavery majority in Lexington was 39.

Nothing had been heard from Leavenworth.

A letter to the *Republican* says that the Lawrence (Free State) Convention of the 23d instant will decide whether or not to go into the January election for State officers. Many favor such a course with the view of crushing the State Government. Ex-Secretary Stanton's name was mentioned for Governor.

A letter dated Lawrence, 21st, says that General LANE has gone to Fort Scott, with the avowed determination to destroy that place, exterminate the Pro-Slavery settlers on the Shawnee Reservation, and carry the war into Missouri.

General BARNES has assumed the Governorship of the Territory, and had issued an address, in which he exhorts the citizens to appeal to the ballot-box for the redress of their grievances. He makes copious extracts from the President's instructions, as indicative of the line of policy he designs to pursue, and also states that General BARNES had invited himself and the presiding officers of both Houses of the Territorial Legislature to be present at the counting of the returns of the election on the 21st.

There is nothing authentic from Fort Scott.

Mr. FORNEY, bearer of dispatches from Governor DENVER for Government at Washington, passed through this city yesterday.

Extract from Gov. Denver's Letter to Chief Justice Williams.

LECOMPTON, Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1857.

DEAR SIR: Having understood that a report of the recent disturbances which have taken place in Bourbon County, in the vicinity of Fort Scott, is circulated, and credited by persons who, perhaps, are interested to give such complexion to them as may best subserve their purposes in order to justify the violation of law and disturbers of the public peace, I have deemed it proper that I impart to you, and others who should be correctly informed through you, my knowledge of the facts, as they truthfully exist, in relation to the cause of these doings.

In reference to the rumor that "the disturbances arose in consequence of an attempt made by Samuel Cheever W. CLARKE to collect taxes," I can emphatically assert that it is a fabrication. There has been no difficulty on the subject whatever. Besides, Gen. CLARKE has never had anything to do with the matter. Since his arrival at Fort Scott, and residence there, he has been quietly and assiduously attentive to his official duties, as assistant in the register's department of the Land Office, without interfering with any other business except such as might appertain to his duties. The Marshal, I know, having lived but two doors from him in Fort Scott, and having met him every day during the last Summer and Fall up to the month, I think, of his return to come to this place to begin at the October term, which is stated to have been the cause for political purposes to be laid before the Court, was a Pro-Slavery man, and a leader of the party of Missourians who, at the last election, came over and voted at the election for delegate to Congress, and for the adoption of the Lecompton Constitution, and subsequently, on the day of the election, crossed the Missouri River, and others of them on the August and September elections, and voted at the election for delegates to the Fall election, where arrangements for a report of ready-made clothing was established, at a convenient point for their benefit and use. The clothing was made out by a person who acted as engrossing clerk, etc. These persons all seemed to be in good spirits. The first move made by them of a violent kind was by force and arms, with threats to drive from his claim and claim an aged man of the name of Sherwood, with his family. This they did, warning him to leave the Territory; and at the same time appropriating his claim, house, crops, &c., to their own use. At the Fall term of the Court for the Third Judicial District this matter was presented to the Grand Jury, and an indictment found and presented by the Grand Jury to the Court, whereupon the proper process of law was issued, and some six of the persons were arrested, and brought before the Court. Some of them gave bail to answer to the indictment at the next term of the Court; the others were committed to the jail of the county. These being matters of the law, and kept in an ordinary dwelling-house, there being no secure theory, some of their friends, armed, came to Lawrence and violence to witnesses, &c., were made, but not insisted. These men are all, upon the ground, active participants in the movements of JAMES H. LANE, and supporters of the higher law.

October, I think, a man whose name is Cooper, and a mounted leader of the Missouri [illegible] Mr. LANE was then the presumptive riding on the road to his place, and [illegible] of him whether he was a Free-State man or a Pro-Slavery man. LANE declined giving him a reply, when he swore he would shoot him, and forthwith discharged the contents of his pistol at him, he well entering the road of Lawrence, near the [illegible] house, and passing through, and out of the back part of his head. For this act Cooper was arrested, and upon a primary hearing before a Justice of the Peace, he was let go, on bail, to answer at the next term of the District Court. As the case is now, the Grand Jury indicted Cooper for an assault and battery with intent to commit murder. Cooper fled the country; his recognizance was forfeited, and a suit brought thereon. The property of Cooper, consisting of corn, cows, corn in the ground, &c., was attached, on an order of sale under the provisions of the statute, and placed in the hands of the Marshal, as the keeping of the cattle until the next term of the Court would have consumed more than their value. A short time before the day of sale a company of these same men came in the night time to the farm of Mr. Forney, to whom the keeping of these cattle had been committed by the Marshal, and drove the whole of them off. They were pursued by the Marshal, and overtaken on Saturday, that they drove the cattle into an inclosure at Mr. Brown's place of residence, and escaped from the officers. The cattle were taken back to Fort Scott, and on the day of sale, sold. Threats in writing and otherwise, were made that Fort Scott should be burned if these cattle were sold. But none believed that they would be executed. Notices to leave the Territory were served on Mr. WASSON, Mr. GOURLY, Mr. SOURSWOOD, Jr., and others, who were witnesses, as to these proceedings.

Not until this time has there been any performance of their threats. Authentic information, verified by the oaths of most credible witnesses, has been brought to-day to Governor SHANNON, that a body of men, fully armed and equipped with Sharpe's rifles, and revolvers, to the number of one hundred, had encamped in the vicinity of Fort Scott, under the command of one MONTGOMERY, who was a member of the Topeka Convention. This company, or a portion of it, proceeded in the house of Mr. WASSON, Mr. GOURLY, and Mr. SOURSWOOD, and violently seized them, tied them, and took them away, since which time nothing has been heard of them. A report is abroad that they hanged them. This, however, I think, lacks authenticity. Complaint, in due form of law, having been made of these acts before a Justice of the Peace, the proper process was put into the hands of the Marshal to arrest the aforesaid. He proceeded to their rendezvous in Mr. SOURSWOOD's house, found it fortified, and, as he approached it, fifty men, armed with Sharpe's rifles and revolvers, came forth from the house in military order, commanded by MONTGOMERY, and demanded of him an account of his business there. Having informed them that he was the Marshal, and that he had come to arrest them, or some of them, by virtue of legal process, their reply was that they had received a dispatch from JAMES H. LANE, that the Legislature, now in session, had repealed all the laws of this Territory, and that they were their own law-makers and executors; therefore, they would not permit any arrests to be made, and that he might leave.

Finding their determination to resist him, and knowing that he, alone, could not withstand the force opposed to him, he left them, and returned to Fort Scott. Thus stands the affair so far as heard from. Now, these men openly profess to be organized, and sent to Fort Scott and vicinity, by Gen. LANE. As they openly and boldly swear they will burn Fort Scott, the citizens of that place are virtually besieged, and obliged to be on duty day and night; while in the country around, the people, by families, are flying from their homes, leaving their property exposed to the depredations of these lawless men.

The above are substantially the facts, as they are well authenticated. Yours, truly,

C. WILLIAMS.

Marine Items.

BALTIMORE, Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857.

The British brig *B. K. Reese*, Capt. SANDER, from Demerara, bound to Baltimore, with a cargo of hides and $11,000 in specie, went ashore two miles below Currituck on Sunday night last. A steam-tug has been sent from Norfolk to her assistance. The brig was built in Bermuda; 26 years old, and of a small value; insured in Demerara; cargo insured at the same place. The specie arrived here safe this morning.—*By letter to Ellwood Walter, Esq.*

BEAUFORT, N. C., Thursday, Dec. 24, 1857.

The schooner *C. G. Waterbury* is ashore thirteen miles south of Ocracoke. Vessel full of water, nearly all the foremast broken. She was from Alabama with sugar and molasses, bound to New-York.—*By telegraph to Ellwood Walter, Esq.*

BEAUFORT, N. C., Saturday, Dec. 26.

The C. C. Waterbury was built at Hoboken, N. J., in 1854; is 300 tons burden, rates A 2, and is valued at $12,000.

Capt. OLMSTED, formerly of the Havana packet bark *Clara E. Williams*, arrived yesterday morning in the ship *Fanny Freeloe* from New-Orleans, and reports, night of the 20th, during a heavy blow, a part of the crew refused duty, and since then the ship has been worked by the officers alone. The crew are in charge of the Fourth Ward Police, until the United States Marshal acts in the matter.

COASTING VESSELS FINED.—Some of the skippers who frequent New-York in the coasting trade complain of sudden and unusual attentions on the part of the Revenue Cutter, whose officers have boarded them and required them to exhibit a manifest of their cargoes, in many cases consisting merely of pine wood, oysters, and the like, and not being able to do so upon the instant, they have been fined $20. This sudden zeal to enforce a law which has remained obsolete, so far as small coasters are concerned, since 1793, has created quite a fluttering among the small craft. They say they have no intention of violating the law, but they object to this manner of abstracting their hard-earned cash to replenish the empty coffers of Uncle Samuel, and one-half of these fines go to the Captain of the cutter, or to the complainant. These manifests are not required to be exhibited at the Custom-House, or to any Revenue officer except in cases where they are boarded and the demand is made for it. The publicity now given to these facts will probably put the Captains of coasters on their guard, who will hereafter have the documents handy and thus disappoint the official of his fines.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

CLOTHING.
JAMES WILDE, Jr., & CO., No. 27 Park-place, and No. 24 Murray-st., will continue to sell for a few weeks longer their large and well-made WHOLESALE STOCK OF CLOTHING AT RETAIL FOR CASH, at much less than wholesale prices.

WATCHES AND JEWELRY, AT REDUCED PRICES.
The subscriber is selling all descriptions of GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES, DIAMOND RINGS, And all kinds of Jewelry at retail at reduced prices, being much less than usual prices.
GEO. C. ALLEN, Importer of Watches and Jewelry, Wholesale and retail, No. 11 Wall-st., 2d floor.

HOSIERY, UNDER GARMENTS And Men's Furnishing Goods At lowest prices. A. RANKIN & CO., No. 96 Bowery.

PROF. ALEX. C. BARRY'S TRICOPHEROUS is the BEST AND CHEAPEST ARTICLE for DRESSING, BEAUTIFYING, CLEANSING, CURING, PRESERVING and RESTORING THE HAIR. Ladies, try it. For sale by all Druggists and Perfumers.

REMOVAL.—MARSH & CO.'S RADICAL CURE Truss office, of No. 314 Maiden-lane, has been removed to No. 2 Vesey-st., Astor House. Trusses, Shoulder-Brace, Silk Elastic Stockings, and every variety of bandages of most approved patterns, skillfully assisted. Private rooms for ladies. A female in attendance.

A USEFUL FAMILY PRESENT.—BUY PRATT'S Patent Spring Mattress. They are warranted to give satisfaction. Price $12 to $20. Office No. 375 Broadway, New-York; No. 112 Washington-st., Boston.

GIFTS AND PRESENTS AT REDUCED PRICES.—Overcoats, Dress and Fancy Goods, &c. 489 Broadway, as Mr. EUGENE is determined his friends shall not wait for presents on account of the scarcity of money.

BUY YOUR HOLIDAY HAT OF WARNOCK & CO., No. 340 Broadway, St. Nicholas Hotel.

MARRIED.

FARMER—HAGUE—In this City, on Friday, Dec. 25, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. [illegible] Chapin, D. D., [illegible] FARMER, of Philadelphia, to [illegible] HAGUE, daughter of [illegible] Esq., of this City.

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DIED.

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BLANCHARD.—In this City, on Monday, Dec. 28, Mrs. EMMA BLANCHARD, relict of the late John Richards, Esq., of Boston.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 2 o'clock P. M., without further invitation, from her late residence, No. 22 Hampden-st.

HAIR.—In East Brooklyn, on Sunday, Dec. 27, JEANNIE HAIR, in the 20th year of his age.

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The subscribers offer for sale AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES, for the December season, a large and well-selected stock of LOCKE, GENEVA AND ENGLISH WATCHES, also of LEONTINE, CHATELAINES, LAVALLIERES, and other GOLD CHAINS, all 18 carats fine.
TH. J. MAGNIN, GUEDIN & CO., Importers, No. 18 Maiden-lane, up-stairs.

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WM. GALE & SON have on hand a large stock of SILVER WARE, Comprising articles for FAMILY USE and PRESENTS, ALL OF THEIR OWN MAKE.
Owing to the state of trade, and a desire to keep all our workmen employed, WE ARE OFFERING UNUSUAL INDUCEMENTS TO THOSE WISHING TO PURCHASE.

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FRANCIS TOMES & SONS, No. 4 Maiden-lane, Offer to the public UNTIL THE 1ST OF JANUARY, AT RETAIL, Their large wholesale stock of fancy goods of the present season's importation, At GREATLY REDUCED PRICES FOR CASH.

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REPORTING.—BURR & LORD, SHORT-HAND Reporters, Nos. 112 and 114 Nassau-st., [illegible] to the United States Senate, [illegible] reporting in a manner not to be surpassed.
WM. HENRY BURR, WM. BLAIR LORD.

THE BOOK OF JOB.

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DIED.

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BLANCHARD.—In this City, on Saturday evening, Dec. 26, after a long illness, which she bore with Christian patience and dignified fortitude, ELIZABETH, relict of Richard Blanchard, aged 63 years.

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BRESNAN.—In Brooklyn, at her residence, Bedford-av., on Christmas night, in her 61st year, Mrs. BRESNAN, widow of the late Redmond Bresnan, Esq., of Grafton-st., Dublin.

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She was by birth a lady of superior mental endowments and refined and cultivated and classical education. Descended from a line of noble and pious ancestry, she possessed in herself, and as it were inherited, the virtues of many generations. Her self-sacrificing devotion to the welfare of her children was of the highest order. For them she endured the sorrows of exile and separation from home, kindred and country.

A few short years of evil past,
A few more years we shall endure,
Where death-divided friends at last
Shall meet to part no more.

TERRYEN.—In Brooklyn, on Sunday, Dec. 27, ADELIA V., youngest daughter of E. H. and M. Trotter, aged 2 years and 4 months.

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Cloaks shawls at $6, and $7, half price.
Also, an assortment of Opera Cloaks, very cheap.

Elegant Flounced Black SILK ROBES, to $18, great[illegible] sold at $20.
Extra Rich Side-band SILK ROBES, to $25, reduced from $60.
Beautiful shades light colors plain SILKS, to $1 per yd.
All which will be found desirable bargains.
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CHEAP DRESS GOODS FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
4-4 Gala Plaids, high colors, at 2s per yard.
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Prints, entire new patterns, at 5s. per dress.
Also, De Laines in great variety, at 1s. 6d. per yard.
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300 Embroidered French Swiss sets, at $3, worth $6.
200 Embroidered French Swiss sets, at $4 and $5, worth $8.
200 Embroidered French Swiss sets, very fine, at $7, worth $10.
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A large lot of Lace sets, from $8 to $20 each.
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A good assortment, And at the lowest prices, Now on hand at BEEKMAN & COMPANY'S, No. 473 Broadway.

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200 Embroidered and Colored Linen Sets, at 75c.
300 Marseilles Sets, White and Colored, at 75c. per set.
BEEKMAN & COMPANY, No. 473 Broadway.

REAL LACES AND LACE GOODS FOR NEW-YEAR'S GIFTS, CONSISTING OF
REAL POINT, POINT APPLIQUE, HONITON and VALENCIENNES COLLARS, SETS, HANDKERCHIEFS, &c.,
Now selling at much less than the cost of importation.
ALSO,
A FINE ASSORTMENT of PARIS EMBROIDERIES.
ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO., CANAL-ST., corner of Mercer.

PRESENTS FOR DOMESTICS.
CHEAP PRINTS. CHEAP EMBROIDERIES.
CHEAP DELAINES. CHEAP GAMBRIC HDKFS.
CHEAP PLAIDS. CHEAP RIBBONS.
CHEAP PARAMATTAS. CHEAP SHAWLS.
CHEAP MERINOS. CHEAP CLOAKS.
ARNOLD CONSTABLE & CO., CANAL-ST., corner Mercer.

CLOAKS GREATLY REDUCED.
ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO. Are now offering Their large and valuable stock of CLOAKS, At prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction to buyers.
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LACE AND MUSLIN CURTAINS.
A large and magnificent assortment, AT REDUCED PRICES.
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DAMASK NAPKINS AND TABLE-CLOTHS.
ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO. Will offer their entire stock, AT GREATLY-REDUCED PRICES, On MONDAY, Dec. 28.
CANAL-ST., corner of Mercer.

NO. 473 BROADWAY.
BARGAINS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
Elegant Beaver and Velvet CLOAKS.
Novelties in SHAWLS.
Ladies' and Children's fancy Furs, genuine and guaranteed.
Our magnificent stock of the above goods will be offered during the Holidays AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.
2,000 English Gray Beaver CLOAKS, from $3 to $8 each.
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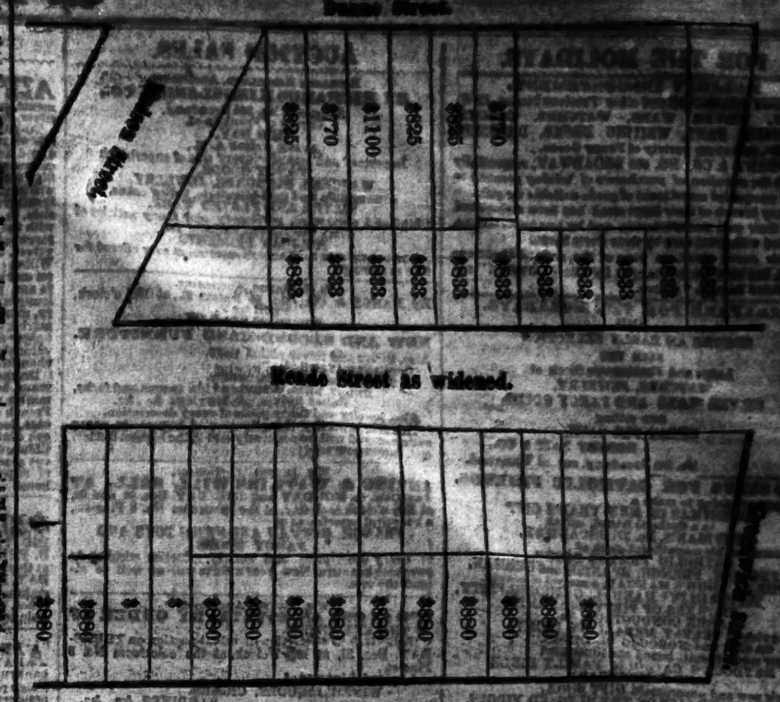
$5! $6! $7! $8! $10!
Full assortment at the above low prices.
CLOAKS AND CIRCULARS,
Latest Paris and London shapes, well trimmed, SUITABLE FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS!
LORD & TAYLOR, Nos. 255, 257, 259 and 261 GRAND-ST., And Nos. 47 and 49 CATHARINE-ST.

BLACK OSTRICH FEATHERS
Just received,
100 dozen superior BLACK OSTRICH TIPS, which are offered very low for cash, by
HOMES & KETCHUM, No. 505 Broadway, cor. Prince-st.

AN ASSESSMENT ON A NOVEL PRINCIPLE.



The subject of widening the streets north of Chambers-st. and below Canal-st., is attracting considerable attention. The improvements contemplated are:

1. The widening of Reade-st. from Broadway to Washington-st. Upon this the Commissioners have made their report, which, if confirmed by the Court will become a law.

2. The widening of Reade-st. east of Broadway. For this it is understood the Commissioners have their report prepared for publication and confirmation.

3. The extension of Chambers-st. to the East River. This report is also understood to be ready for publication and confirmation.

4. The widening of Worth-st.

5. The widening of Leonard-st.

6. The widening of Franklin-st.

The amount of these assessments will be very great, probably not less than $6,000,000—being many times greater than any ever heretofore laid.

The practice has hitherto almost invariably been, that when a cross street was widened, for the purpose of being converted into a business street, or regard the improvement as one of a local character. Thus, when Liberty-st. was widened a few years since, neither Cedar nor Cortlandt-st. was assessed, and when Dey-st. was widened, neither Cortlandt nor Fulton-st. was assessed. But a short time since, when Pearl-st. was widened, an assessment for the first time was made on the two adjoining parallel streets. This assessment on the parallel streets was so light that no one took the trouble to appeal to for the purpose of vindicating an abstract principle. This was a precedent created, and now for the widening of Reade-st. a very large assessment is laid on the adjoining parallel streets. The above map shows an example of the extent to which the adoption of such a principle will lead.

It will be seen that 19 lots on the north side of Reade-st. are assessed $6,000 each, while the 19 corresponding lots on the north side of Chambers-st., running only half the depth of the block, are assessed at $800 each. The disparative assessments on other portions of Reade and Chambers-sts. do not vary very materially from these. Nos. 77 and 79 Chambers-st., near Broadway, are assessed respectively $1,110 and $1,080sh. The corresponding lots on the north side of Reade-st. are assessed respectively $1,500 and $1,415 each. Confirmed in such an assessment is needless, and while the integrity of the Commissioners who made it is not questioned, it only shows the great injustice that can be done by a departure from former precedent.

The propriety of widening Reade-st. is not the question—it is a matter of very little moment to property owners of property fronting on Reade-st. The distance between Chambers and Reade-sts. is only [illegible], Reade-st. lying between these is only about [illegible] there can exist there no public necessity that Reade-st. should be widened for the purpose of being converted into a great or general thoroughfare—it is not proposed to be widened for that purpose—but for the purpose of being converted into what is called a business street, and on those holding property fronting on Reade-st. will derive the entire benefit from this conversion, no reason can be given why their neighbors in the adjoining parallel streets should be compelled to pay any portion of the expense.

In widening the cross streets between Chambers and Canal-sts., great injustice will be done if the different assessments are not all made under one perfectly uniform rule. Can any rule be laid down that would operate uniformly as the one followed when Liberty-st. and Dey-st. were widened?

DRY GOODS.
BULPIN'S GREAT SALE OF FURS.
[illegible] THOUSAND DOLLARS.
SALE OF GENUINE MATERIAL AND MANUFACTURE.
[illegible] Black st.
COLUMBIAN HALL, No. [illegible] Broadway.
[illegible] Black Cloth, Cassimere, Tweed, &c. &c.
OF GENUINE WELL-SEASONED FURS, AT HALF THE USUAL PRICES.
Ladies are cautioned against purchasing second-hand moth-eaten goods, which are now being offered in different parts of the City, and which are really dear at nothing.
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MINK GAITES.
Warranted manufactured of Well-seasoned skins.
Large size, full shaped [illegible]
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Extra size, very dark, rich shade [illegible]
Extra size, very best [illegible]
Purchasers are assured that great advantages are offered in the above goods, being anxious to convert into cash at a sacrifice, rather than carry over a large stock.
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GREAT HOLIDAY SALE OF CLOAKS, SHAWLS, AND LADIES' FANCY FURS.
Still further and immense reduction in prices of BULPIN'S ENTIRE STOCK.
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Fine black beaver cloaks with sleeves, $16, 12, $14.
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Great bargains For the holidays, At BULPIN'S, No. 261 Broadway.

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"PICCOLOMINI" SETS.
For Ladies and Children, in Marseilles, Printed Linen, and Embroidered.
Faces 7c. to $10 per Set.
At 50c. A VARIED ASSORTMENT
Collars, Sleeves, Chemisettes, Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Lace Veils, Black Guipures, and Brussels Lace, &c., &c., &c.
AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES!
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DRESS AND EVENING SILKS!
Plaids, Stripes, Brocades, Moire Antiques, &c. Large assortment at prices REDUCED FOR THE HOLIDAYS!
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HAT AND CAP RIBBONS, And Ladies' Trimmings, in every variety, AT REDUCED PRICES.
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CARPETINGS, CURTAIN MATERIALS, Family Linens, Domestic Goods and HOUSE-FURNISHING DRY GOODS of every description, at greatly reduced prices.
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COMFORTABLE PRESENTS FOR WINTER.
English Wool Blankets, Heavy Marseilles Quilts, Plaid Wool Shawls, Woolen Under-garments, Woolen Hosiery, Gloves, Gauntlets, &c., &c., &c.
FULL ASSORTMENT—CHEAP.
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USEFUL AND ELEGANT PRESENTS.
Piano Covers, Table Covers, 400 Cornices, Window Shades, Napkins, Scarfs, Shawls, Muffers, Cabas, Fancy [illegible], Toilet Brushes, &c., &c., &c.,
AT REDUCED PRICES.
A full assortment, expressly for the Holidays.
LORD & TAYLOR, Nos. 255, 257, 259 and 261 GRAND-ST., And Nos. 47 and 49 CATHARINE-ST.

5-SHILLING PRESENT DRESSES.
Each containing 10 yards of beautiful Prints;
Also, $1 Present Dresses, 10 yards each, Island English Patterns;
Also, Paris Bonjou Dresses.
Very choice styles, full Dress, for $1 25.
LORD & TAYLOR, Nos. 255, 257, 259 and 261 GRAND-ST., And Nos. 47 and 49 CATHARINE-ST.

SAVE FIFTY PER CENT. TO TWENTY-FIVE.
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ADDITIONAL AND FURTHER REDUCTIONS IN PRICES.
To effect the speediest and most complete sale of the large stock of goods in
COLUMBIAN HALL, No. [illegible] Broadway.
The management have authorized the [illegible] of a further reduction from former [illegible] Holiday Special [illegible] to 25c.
Fine [illegible] Paris Silks.
Irish Poplins, Brocade and Alpacas.
French and English Flannels.
Linen Damask Table-cloths, Napkins and Doilies.
Blankets, Quilts and Counterpanes.
Lace and Muslin Curtains and Draperies.
Embroideries, Hosiery, and Gloves.
Immediate attention is solicited to this late, the greatest chance ever offered to purchasers of Holiday Presents and Goods to replenish the Housekeeper's stock.
On and after the 1st of January the undersigned will be prepared to receive offers for the entire purchase of the Stock with the business stand. Terms cash.
CHARLES C. BOOK, One of the Assignees.

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By the 1st of January, MUST BE SOLD.
POSITIVELY THE LAST WEEK.
THE LAST DAYS OF CHASING.
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FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

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DIAMONDS and other Precious Stones, JEWELRY, SILVER WARE, WATCHES, CLOCKS, BRONZES, FANS, WRITING DESKS, DRESSING CASES, and every variety of Fancy Goods.

TIFFANY & CO., NO. 550 BROADWAY, respectfully solicit the attention of purchasers of holiday presents to their extensive assortment of goods suitable for gifts.

Every branch of their large stock has been replenished from their own manufactories, and by late importations, selected with great care by their Paris house.

Their entire stock, in view of the present disastrous times, has been marked at the lowest possible prices, and is now unusually attractive.

PREPARE FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

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SECURE AN EARLY SELECTION

FROM THE

Large and Fashionable Stock of

WATCHES, JEWELRY,

SILVER WARE AND FANCY GOODS.

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A CHRISTMAS OR NEW-YEAR'S GIFT

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CATHOLIC PRAYER BOOKS,

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REDUCED PRICES.

The subscriber is selling all descriptions of Watches & Jewelry at retail, at much less than the usual prices.

Diamond Rings;

Pearl, Gold and Stone Bracelets;

Pearl and Gold Necklaces;

Gentlemen's Vest Chains and Guard Chains;

Pure Gold Wedding Rings;

Keys and Seals;

Gold and Steel Spectacles;

Gold Spectacles and Eye Glasses;

Fine Gold Pens and Pencils;

Gold Thimbles, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 glasses;

Silver Wash-Bowls, Forks, Mountings, and Fruit Baskets.

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HENRY LEVY,

No. 45 MAIDEN-LANE,

offers at RETAIL

the immense stock of

ARTISTIC and ORNAMENTAL

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purchased for the coming holidays, and to be sold at an immense reduction from regular prices, FOR CASH.

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A. ROMEILL & CO.'S,

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TREMENDOUS SACRIFICE.

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G. P. NEWTON, successor to Bagley, Houghton & Co., manufacturer and wholesale dealer in GOLD and SILVER PENCIL CASES, and sole manufacturer of GOLD PENS, Nos. 1 and 2 Platt-st., near Nassau, and appropriate for presents.

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FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—WILLIAM PITTPA, Importer of Wines, cor. 20th-st. and Broadway and No. 81 Maiden-lane, offers his extensive assortment for holiday presents, consisting of Wines, Cordials, Liqueurs, Champagne, &c. A full assortment of baskets and flowerstands on hand and to order. Orders should be given as early as possible.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—FRUIT CAKE, EXTRA quality, ornamented, 25 cents per pound. Also, for this season only, an excellent article of Fruit Cake, in mold, 12½ cents per pound; 14½ cents, ornamented. A full assortment of all other kinds of Cake suitable for the holidays. Those intending to purchase will please call at 209 Bowery, D. F. BURDLE, corner 3d-av. and 9th-st.

CHEAP NEW-YEAR'S GIFTS.—A VARIETY of articles suitable for New-Year's gifts, fancy articles, pictures, children's linen, toys, &c., lost from the Lisbon Packet, Fall Road last week, will be offered for sale at the Institution, No. 64 Bleecker-st., until New-Year's day. Everything of the best quality, and will be sold very low. The rooms will be open from 9 to 12 A. M.

ARTISTIC PRESENTS.—A GREAT VARIETY of beautiful engravings, tastefully framed, boxes for sewing or for musical and water colors, drawing books, drawing instruments, pencil cases, &c., suitable for holiday presents, for sale at moderate prices by W. SCHAUB, No. 456 Broadway.

THOS. ROE'S CASES ASSORTED LIQUORS, for the Holidays, containing four bottles brandy, two champagne, gin, whisky and Madeira wine. Champagne $7 per bottle. All warranted genuine; sent free to any part of the City on receipt. MARTIN CARROL, No. 107 Water-st.

BEAUTY AND BOUQUETS OF THE most choice flowers, put up to order at prices to suit the times by WM. WILSON, Florist, No. 43 West 16th-st., between the aves.

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HOLIDAY PRESENTS.—FOREST PATENT Leather Dress Boots, which may be worn without over shoes, are sold at the principal Boot and Shoe stores.

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FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.—A VALUABLE Farm, containing about 200 acres of land, situated in the pleasant Wheatsia district 16 miles from Racine and 40 from Milwaukie, and 3½ miles from a railroad depot. Will be exchanged for good productive property in the City of New-York, Brooklyn or Jersey City. Inquire of HARRY A. DON, No. 40 Greenwich-st., or to MOSES JAQUES, Railway, New-Jersey.

FOR SALE.—A FIRST-CLASS TENEMENT HOUSE, 25 feet front, 50 feet deep, rent from $1,000 to $1,200, and let to a wealthy family $800. Apply at No. 17 West 16th-st.

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WANTED—TO PURCHASE, A HOUSE IN BROOKLYN, near South Ferry, for a genteel neighborhood. The contract to be made for the purchase of the house in part by a mortgage on a large amount of hotel furniture, nearly new, for $4,000, and the lease of a first-class hotel worth double the above. The hotel is on the west side of the City of New-York, near the landing of passengers from all parts of the world. Apply to E. STEVENSON, Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED TO RENT—FROM THE FIRST OF May next, the 1st of May next, part of a house, say 20 or 25 feet wide, with kitchen, in the respectable part of the City of New-York, not lower than 17th-st., west side; family of three adults and one child; rent not more than each month. Any person having such property to let, at a reasonable rate, can apply to HENRY TIE BROUCE, No. 163 Church-st., in rear.

FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED FOR THE Winter, by a small family, without children; a well-furnished house, in a good neighborhood, and within a mile required. Address, with particulars, Box No. 4, Post-office.

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IRON FOUNDRY TO LET OR LEASE—AT Newark, N. J., in operation, three blocks from Grand-st. Power, 40 horse; steam engine, 8 boilers, 8 and 10 horse; cupola, 3 tons; complete. Apply to

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$2,500 REWARD.—STOLEN FROM W. H. ROBERTSON, while passing from Newburgh to Newark, on Thursday, Nov. 19, 1857, $18,000, in Illinois Central Railroad Bonds, Nos. 1,001 to 1,100, inclusive, for $1,000 each, and 1,101 to 1,200, inclusive, for $500 each. The above reward will be paid for the return of the bonds, or any part thereof, or for information that will lead to the recovery of the bonds, or any part thereof. Inquire of HOYT, SHERMAN & DE GROOT, No. 11 Pine-st., New-York.

$5 REWARD.—LOST ON THURSDAY, 24TH inst., between Grand-st. and Delmonico's, a gold watch, jewelled, with a gold hunting case, marked "Tiffany, Paris." The above reward will be paid on its return to the owner, or to the Police Office, 300 Mulberry-st.

$25 REWARD.—LOST OR MISLAID—A BUNDLE containing 17 or 18 Bonds and Mortgages on real estate in the western part of this State. All instruments on same having been stopped, they are of no value to any one but the owners. The above reward will be paid to the finder on his returning the package to No. 81 William-st.

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RICHARDS KINGSLAND, Auctioneer.

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Salesroom No. 504 Broadway,

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THIS DAY,

At 10½ o'clock A. M.,

Importers' and manufacturers' sale of superb and rich

FANCY GOODS,

WATCHES, DIAMONDS, JEWELRY,

Fine ormolu and gold mounted porcelain, Indian cabinets, SILVER AND PLATED WARE,

China and glass ware, perfumery and fancy articles of every description, suitable for

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The largest and most superb assortment ever offered for sale at auction.

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THIS DAY,

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NEW AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE.

Also, Silver and Silver-plated ware,

Consisting in part of

Tea and dinner services, casters,

Dinner, tea, dessert and tea spoons and forks,

Butter knives, napkin rings, &c., &c.

Also, jewelry and fancy goods of every description.

This sale is worthy the attention of buyers, as every article offered will be positively sold to the highest bidder. Catalogues now ready.

WM. IRVING, Auctioneer.

IRVING & WATKINS WILL SELL, AT auction, on MONDAY and TUESDAY, Dec. 28 and 29, at 10½ o'clock each day, at the salesroom, No. 6 Pine-st., a beautiful assortment of

FRENCH, GERMAN AND SWISS TOYS AND FANCY GOODS

of every description and variety. Parties wishing to purchase beautiful New-Year's Gifts will do well to attend the sale.

WM. IRVING, Auctioneer.

TO CLOSE AN ESTATE, BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS.

IRVING & WATKINS will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Dec. 31, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom No. 6 Pine-st.,

A splendid invoice of

WINES, LIQUORS, CIGARS,

SARDINES, &c., &c.

A rare opportunity to purchase for New-Year's.

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SALE OF SUPERB HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—Rich Wilton and velvet carpets, costly French-plate pier and mantel mirrors; three suites of rich parlor furniture (rosewood piano-forte, 7-octave, elegantly inlaid, with solid pearl keys—one of the most superb instruments ever made; valuable oil paintings, pearl and silver cutlery, &c., at No. 51 West 16th-st., near 5th-av.—H. WILSON, Auctioneer, will sell, THIS DAY, Dec. 29, at 10 o'clock, the entire furniture of the above house, which is of the best description, consisting of large and costly pier and mantel mirrors, superior rosewood piano-forte, elegant suites of parlor furniture, in rich crimson and maroon brocatelle; one do. in damask and gold, costly rosewood and secretary bookcases, solid carved rosewood centre, sofa and pier tables; three superior rosewood etageres, marble tops, with mirror doors and backs; elegant rosewood reception chairs, in rich satin and tapestry; rosewood corner etageres, with mirror backs; rich lace window curtains and shades, bronze and ormolu clocks, costly Sevres and Dresden vases, rich parlor ornaments, &c., with a number of fine oil paintings. Dining-room and parlor furniture—Elegant extension tables, chairs, rich gold-band decorated tea and coffee sets, elegant cut glass ware, pearl and silver cutlery, cake baskets, castors, bureaus, washstands, with marble tops; costly decorated China toilet sets, hair mattresses, feather beds and bedding, French and mirror mahogany suites of furniture in hair cloth, velvet, and mahogany curtains and shades, rosewood hall stands, oil cloth, &c. Sale positive, rain or shine.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer, Salesroom 23 Nassau-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at 10 o'clock, at the salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st., second and third floors, a large and valuable collection of wines, liquors, condiments, cigars, &c., from one of the oldest importing houses in New-York, and 24 hr. sale for auction without reserve; every article guaranteed to be of the finest quality, viz.:

Old N. y. M. Madeira, vintage 1833, in glass, very rare; Vera Cruz and Gerle pale and brown sherries; Amontillado do. 1846; Oporto Wine Co. do.; Sotomon & Cumming's do. 1846; Nathaniel Foster & Co. do. 53 years old; Julian Chevret, very old; Sauternes, Grave, Medoc, Hock, Champagne, Associated Vermouth, Dry do., Rossolio, Real Seal, Oratio de Bouche, Curaçoa, Maraschino and Chas. Heidsieck, Henry Clay, Co. of Vermont, and other favorite brands. London Dock Brandies, imported by the founders of the present firm, 22 years ago; pale and dark L. D. Jamaica Rum, Scotch and Irish Whisky; Old St. Lucy, 1826; Robertson do. in casks and demijohns, very old; Holland Gin, Apple Jack, old Sardines, Stilton Cheese, &c.

Also about 10,000 Havana Cigars, warranted; viz.: 3 Trevalaire, St. Amber, Eu Clone, Teoniaje, Portugal, Wag Wag, Geo. Christy, Figaro, No Fine Cigar, and other favorite brands.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer, Office No. 23 Nassau-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction, on MONDAY, Dec. 28, at 10½ o'clock each day, at salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st.—Receivers in a cf nearly waste and jewelry, iron safes, scales, watch materials, office furniture, &c., positively without reserve, by order of Nathan C. Platt, Esq., Receiver, being the entire stock, effects and fixtures of Walter Scott S. Daniels & Co., and various drawers of W. A. Scott, jr., a very large assortment of English, French and German watches, gold and silver chains, seals, keys, pins, rings, ear drops, lockets, gold pens, pencils, cases, &c., of superior finish and finish; also, a large assortment of superior Jewelry, Silver Ware, Watches, Clocks, &c., Wilson, Bridge, Bowman, Bell, Cook, Dent, and other celebrated makers; also, a large assortment of Clocks, Clocks, &c. Also, an assortment of Gold Pens, Gold pins, diamond powder, hooks, &c. Also, an assortment of keys, Gold glasses, &c. Also, certificates of New-York Mutual Insurance scrip, and certificate No. 1,000 of New-York Mutual Insurance scrip. Also, 100 iron safes, set of large jeweler's scales, one do. diamond scales, desks, chairs, counters, &c. Sale peremptory. Catalogues ready on Saturday, 26th.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer, Salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at 10 o'clock, in our gallery, over the salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st., a choice collection of fine books for Holiday and illustrated presentation books belonging to Dr. P. Putnam, of No. 321 Broadway, selected from the best part of his stock, specially prepared for this season, all warranted perfect and sold on this occasion only in this manner simply because the seller wants the money.

The list includes the best editions in fresh and handsome bindings of the works of the best authors, English and American, including Cooper, Irving, Addison, Fielding, Goldsmith, Marryat, Curtis, Bayard Taylor, &c., &c. Illustrated editions of the poets, world-noted women, iconographic encyclopedia; poets of the 16th century, Livingstone's Travels, Wilkes' Exploring Expedition, Kane's Arctic Voyages, Prescott's Histories, &c.

On exhibition on the morning of sale, with catalogue.

DANIEL S. HOGAN, Auctioneer—Office No. 220 Broadway.

CALLS PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO this sale, THIS DAY, Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 10½ A. M., from the private residence No. 248 West 23d-st., west of 7th-av., of all the contents of the magnificently furnished home—A full description of which may be found in yesterday's *Herald*, *Tribune* and *Times*. This sale affords a rare opportunity to persons in want of first-class furniture at auction prices, as the goods are nearly new; cost much made to order, and to be sold, rain or shine, and without any reserve. A few articles from the catalogue is herewith subjoined, viz.: China dinner set, together with a large variety of table ware of every conceivable description; walnut buffet extension tables, velvet carpets, rosewood suites, centre tables, sofas, easy chairs, bureaus, China vases, clocks, side and bracket cornices, chamber decorations, fine pier glasses, rosewood bookcases, chamber furniture of rosewood and mahogany, blankets and bedding, &c. The whole forming a unique assortment well worthy the attention of purchasers. Catalogues at the house only.

M. DOUGHTY, Auctioneer.

HANDSOME HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—M. DOUGHTY will sell TO-MORROW (Wednesday) Dec. 30, 10½ o'clock, at No. 424 4th, between 4th and 5th aves., Yorkville, being the furniture of a gentleman going to Europe, consisting of elegant carved Rosewood parlor suites, covered in brocatelle, Brussels, tapestry carpets, nearly new, gilt chandeliers, covered rosewood etageres, with plate glass, fine and costly bronzes, ormolu clocks, rosewood and mahogany bedsteads, bureaus, 8 tune music-box, &c., bedroom furniture, mahogany and rosewood bedsteads, bureaus, washstands, mattresses, paintings, &c. The paintings in the above sale are well worthy the attention of connoisseurs. Also summer house, together with an assortment of garden stairs, trees, plants, &c. The 24-av. carpets within two blocks of the house every five minutes.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer, Salesroom No. 23 Nassau-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 29, at 11 o'clock, in the gallery over the salesroom, No. 23 Nassau-st., a private collection of oil-paintings, the property of a gentleman residing in Brooklyn, comprising pictures by Durand, Kensett, Cropsey, Hill, Shattuck, Coleman, Chapman, Ryder, Soutag, Bonnetti, Rondel, Carter, Blaygeil, Bellows, G. H. Hall, Moran, Lewis, Hamilton Hell, Waterson, Fish, Pearson, Dibbin, Dickinson and others, a very choice collection. They are now on exhibition, with catalogue.

WM. IRVING, Auctioneer.

IRVING & WATKINS WILL OFFER AT auction on MONDAY and TUESDAY, Dec. 28 and 29, at 10½ o'clock each day, at the salesroom No. 6 Pine-st., a superb collection of Paris FANCY GOODS.

Silver, China and Glass ware of every description and variety. Parian figures and groups, Bohemian glassware of every description, clocks, colognes, &c., &c. The sale comprises a beautiful collection of goods for sale specially for New-Year's presents.

FELIX S. TOURNE, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF WINES, LIQUORS, ALES, &c.—ON ALL WINES & LIVINGSTON will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 29, 1857, at 11 o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 6 Pine-st., a choice assortment of fine old wines, brandies, whiskies, cordials, &c., being part of an importer's stock, and warranted in all cases to be according to sample. Business offers a rare chance for parties wishing to supply themselves for the Holidays. Catalogues and samples on the morning of sale.

SAMUEL OSGOOD, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF FURNITURE, PLATE, JEWELRY, FANCY GOODS, &c.—SAMUEL OSGOOD & CO. Auctioneers, store No. 87 Nassau-st., THIS DAY at 10½ o'clock, a general assortment of new and second-hand furniture, carpets, mirrors, silver plated ware, toys, &c., &c. Also, an invoice of fine jewelry and fancy goods.

A. G. RAMSAY, Auctioneer.

550 CASES BOOTS, SHOES AND RUBBERS—SPECIAL AND PEREMPTORY SALE.—RICHARDS & WHITING will sell WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at 10½ o'clock, at store No. 54 Cortlandt-st., about 550 cases of prime and seasonable goods, consisting of the usual variety found in a jobbing house. Sold without reserve. By order of Sheriff Gidney.

M. DOUGHTY, Auctioneer.

BY ORDER OF THE SHERIFF.—REGULAR SUCCESSOR sales of Stocks, Bonds, Notes and other Securities every day. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold on private sale, and at the Brokers' Board. Sale THIS DAY, at 12½ o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange. For full particulars, see catalogues, or *Journal of Commerce*, *Courier and Enquirer*, *Morning Express*.

AUCTION SALES.

ATTENTION.—TO-MORROW, at 10½ o'clock, the entire furniture, splendid China vases, parlor ornaments, superior silver-plated ware, &c., &c.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, at 10½ o'clock, the entire of superb furniture will take place at the residence No. 153 West 16th-st., between 6th and 7th aves., a very large and elegant variety of parlor, dining-room, bedroom and kitchen furniture, &c. Sale will be peremptory without regard to weather, as the furniture will be sold at all o'clock, positively, and consists, in part, of elegant carved rosewood piano-forte, with the finest of workmanship, carved rosewood sofas, rosewood parlor furniture covered in satin brocatelle and velvet, all made to order and perfect; mahogany and Wilton carpets, silk and rich lace curtains, splendid hotel and pier mirrors, Egyptian and marble top centre tables and pier tables, Egyptian and marble top consoles, lounges with reception chairs to match; French secretary, music cabinet, two elegant marble top sideboards, with marble tops, magnificent China vases, with a number of unique and beautiful parlor ornaments. Collection of valuable paintings, richly framed; bronze and ormolu chandeliers, gas fixtures, &c.

DINING ROOM AND CHAMBER.—Rosewood dining tables, bedsteads, large hair mattresses, English blankets, marble washstands, rosewood furniture in hair-cloth, French shades, Vellasco chairs, rockers, secretary, bookcase, lounges, sofa-bedstead, oak extension table, with oak dining-room furniture to match throughout, French China, silver ware of every description, Britannia and cut glass, pearl and ivory cutlery, &c., with a quantity of superior furniture not mentioned. Catalogues at house.

JOHN D. VANDERWATER, Auctioneer.

$20,000 WORTH OF CHOICE AND VALUABLE FURS AND SKINS, BEING THE STOCK AND MANUFACTURE OF JOHN D. PHILLIPS & CO., B. FRANKIN & CO. will sell at their salesroom, No. 68 Nassau-st., next door, TUESDAY, Dec. 30, at 10½ o'clock, the above desirable stock, embracing a full assortment of mink, cuffs, victorines, robes, &c., all of the finest quality, and fully warranted. Sale positive, being a continuation sale from Monday.

GILBERT S. SAVAGE, Auctioneer.

AARON S. SAVAGE WILL SELL THIS DAY at the salesroom, No. 63 Chatham-st., at 10 A. M., bankrupt sale of a large rich stock of made up furs, sleigh robes, men's caps, fur collars, &c. By order of assignee, stock of French and German toys, and fancy goods, staple and fancy dry goods, jewelry and watches.

WELLINGTON A. CARTER, Auctioneer.

HORSES, CARRIAGE AND HARNESS.—AUCTION.—TO-MORROW, 12 o'clock, at No. 57 Desbrosses, corner Greenwich, one hack coach and double harness, all in good order; two surrel horses, kind; all harnesses warranted sound. Also, twenty baskets Champagne.

WM. TOPPING & CO., Auctioneers, No. 92 Broadway.

AUCTION NOTICE.—PEREMPTORY SALE OF CLOTHING.—We will include in our sale of this day, a very handsome assortment of fine seasonable ready made clothing, and call the particular attention of the trade to same. Every lot will be sold.

SIMEON DRAPER, Auctioneer.

BY SIMEON DRAPER, OFFICE NO. 45 Pine-st., corner of William, Regular Auction Sales at the Merchants' Exchange, EVERY DAY. Stocks and Bonds bought and sold at Private Sale. Sale THIS DAY at 12½ o'clock. See Catalogue.

WM. S. JONES, Auctioneer.

AUCTION NOTICE.—WM. S. JONES WILL sell, at No. 261 Pearl-st., wood, willow, Japan, tin and iron ware, mats, brushes, dusters, cordage and other articles belonging to the line, on the 31st. Arrange assortment of toys.

BOARDING.

HOUSEKEEPER.—A YOUNG WIDOW LADY wishes to keep house for a gentleman—a widower preferred. No agent. Address, for contemplating marriage, CAROLINE, Box 1,000, Post-office, stating particulars. Unexceptionable references given and required.

WANTED—A HOME, IN SOME GOOD FAMILY for a correct, intelligent Christian lady. Those having one, or knowing of such, and desiring the social privilege would be found quiet and agreeable, and would receive a moderate price for board, may address D., at this office, within three days.

BOARDING.—ONE OR TWO GENTLEMEN OF first respectability can be accommodated with pleasant rooms and board, at No. 127 McDougal-st., corner of Amity. Terms reasonable.

BOARDING.—A PLEASANT PARLOR AND BEDroom may be obtained at No. 16 East 14th-st., near Union-square. Also, rooms for gentlemen.

BOARD IN BROOKLYN.—A GENTLEMAN and his wife, or one or two single gentlemen, can be accommodated with pleasant rooms. N. B.—Partial board if gentlemen. Apply at No. 146 Lawrence-st. Terms reasonable.

BOARD IN BROOKLYN.—A PRIVATE FAMILY, having a well-furnished front room, with gas and bath, would take a single gentleman; location a few minutes walk from Wall-st. Ferry. Address CAMERON, Times Office, or Brooklyn Post-Office, with real name, and place of business.

BOARD IN BROOKLYN.—GENTLEMEN WITH their wives, or single gentlemen, can be accommodated with very pleasant and comfortable rooms and good board, by applying at No. 19 Sands-st., corner of Jay, Brooklyn. References required.

BOARD IN BROOKLYN—AT NO 47 COMMERCE-st., a convenient and pleasant location; rooms for a gentleman and wife, or single persons; house first-class; dinner at 6 o'clock. References required.

PRIVATE BOARDING.—THE SECOND FLOOR, consisting of three rooms, furnished or unfurnished, with board, to let to parties wishing a quiet home in a genteel neighborhood. Location near the Wall-st. and South Ferries, Brooklyn. Address QUIET HOME, Brooklyn Post-Office.

BOARD AND MUSIC.—WANTED, BY A WELL Bred Gentlemanly German music teacher, (young man,) a well-furnished room, with full or partial board, in a respectable family, where his services as music teacher will be required. Address GERMAN MUSIC TEACHER, *Times* Office, New-York.

BOARD WANTED.—TWO GENTLEMEN WOULD like to procure either full or partial board in a private, respectable and educated family, and would require two rooms, one with a grate in it. Highest references as to respectability given. Address C. A. S., office of this paper, stating location, terms, &c.

WANTED—THOSE HAVING ROOM TO SPARE, and would prefer the society of those who would be found perfectly agreeable, to obtain board at a moderate price for board, &c., may address D., at this office, within three days.

BOARDING.—ONE OR TWO GENTLEMEN OF first respectability can be accommodated with pleasant rooms and board at STORRS'S, 1 and 3 Myrtle-av., Brooklyn, being the entrance of Brooklyn Station, near Wall-st. Ferry, by addressing Box No. 4,000 New-York Post-Office.

BOARDING.—A GENTLEMAN AND HIS WIFE can be accommodated with a large handsome parlor and bedroom, furnished, also a single room for a gentleman; locality desirable, opposite Lafayette place; references required. Apply to H. GREENBERG, No. 10 Great Jones-st.

BOARDING.—A GENTLEMAN AND WIFE, OR two or three single gentlemen, can obtain board in a private family by applying at No. 434 Pacific-st., between Bond and Nevins-sts., Brooklyn.

BOARDING.—TWO GENTLEMEN, OR A GENtleman and wife, may obtain a pleasant room, with board, at No. 142 McDougal-st., corner of Amity. Terms reasonable.

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NO. 44 UNION-SQUARE, OPPOSITE THE PARK.—A suite of front rooms, on second floor, with every convenience, to be let with board. Also, a large front room on third floor, and accommodations for a few single gentlemen.

NO. 5 BREVOORT-PLACE—TENTH ST., third door West of Broadway. Parlor and bedrooms to let, just vacated.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET LOW—AT No. 27 West 16th-st.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

COLUMBIAN LITERARY CLUB.—LECTURE.—A lecture will be delivered before the Columbian Literary Club, by Mr. Geo. W. Bore, at Clinton Hall, Astor-place, on TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 29, 1857, at 8 o'clock. Subject—*The Life and Genius of Thomas Hood*. Tickets 25 cents.

PHILIP H. BOWNE,
WILLIAM L. KEESE,
SAMUEL PUTNAM, } Lecture Committee.

A LECTURE ON THE PHILOSOPHY OF *Education or its Normal Character, addressed to those who think*, will be delivered by R. B. WIGGINS, A. M., in the large room, No. 309 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 30th, at 7½ o'clock. The subject will be treated philosophically, intellectually and emotionally, with a practical application to the present and guardians and all who feel interested in the progress of human culture, are especially invited to attend. Entrance free.

LECTURE NOTICE.—THE EIGHTH LECTURE in the course before the Flatbush Literary Association will be delivered in the Lecture Room at Flatbush, on TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 29, 1857, by HOMER L. BARTLETT, M. D. Subject—*The Relations of the Physical to the Moral and Intellectual*. Lecture to commence at 7 o'clock. No postponement on account of the weather. Tickets can be obtained at the Post-Office in Flatbush, or at the door of the Lecture Room.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION.—A discussion will take place at the rooms of the Union, Clinton Hall THIS (Tuesday) EVENING, at 7½ o'clock. Subject—*The Significance of Modern Spiritualism*. The public are respectfully invited.

JAMES CUSHING, Jr., Recording Secretary.

DANCING.

A. DODWORTH'S DANCING ACADEMIES,

No. 806 Broadway, New-York.

No. 139 Montague-place, Brooklyn.

Classes now open for the reception of pupils.

Evening classes for ladies and gentlemen at both or either of the above places. Lancers quadrille, German cotillions and all other dances.

For circulars, &c., apply at either Academy.

MADAME SAUVAGEAU'S DANCING ACADEMY, No. 464 Broadway, opposite Howe-st., open every AFTERNOON and EVENING for dancing. Private lessons and general instruction. Madame SAUVAGEAU discards, as incoherent, the plan by which three classes of ladies or gentlemen are made to dance among themselves. Her teaching combines private instruction with immediate practice, by appointed male and female teachers.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—TWO ENGLISH GERMAN GIRLS, to do the work of a family; situations in gentlemen's families. Also, two young girls, for domestics in want of good situations, within 24 hours, leave name and residence at the Advertising Agency, No. 3 Myrtle-av., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A WOMAN AS COOK AND TO DO washing and ironing; also, a young woman as waiter. Apply at No. 76 6th-st., three doors east of 6th-av.

FOR EUROPE.

TEXAS, SPAIN AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Liverpool, Cork, Queenstown.

Cabin passage, $100 to $120.

Steerage passage to Liverpool, $30.

The following vessels will sail as follows:

AFRICA, Lang, Saturday, Jan. 2.

ARAGO, Lang, Saturday, Jan. 16.

EUROPA, Lang, Saturday, Jan. 30.

CANADA, Lang, Saturday, Feb. 13.

HERMANN, Lang, Saturday, Feb. 27.

NIAGARA, Lang, Saturday, Mar. 13.

AFRICA, Lang, Saturday, Mar. 27.

Berths not secured until paid for.

No exportation of specie on board.

The owners of these ships will not be responsible for gold, silver, bullion, specie, jewelry, precious stones, or metals, unless bills of lading are signed therefor, and the value thereof expressed therein.

FOR SOUTHAMPTON AND HAVRE.—THE United States Mail Steamer ARAGO D. Lines, Commander, will leave for Havre, touching at Southampton to take the mail and passengers, on SATURDAY, Jan. 2, at 10 o'clock, from Pier No. 21, North River, foot of Beach-st.

PRICE OF PASSAGE.

First Cabin.....$120 | Second Cabin.....$80

This ship has five water-tight compartments, and has the engines, so that, in the event of collision or stranding, the water could not reach them, and the remaining free to work, the safety of the vessel and passengers would be secured.

Baggage not wanted during the voyage should be sent on board the day before sailing, marked "Below."

For freight or passage, apply to

WM. S. DEATYON, Agent, No. 1 Broadway.

N. B.—The steamer FULTON will succeed the ARAGO, and sail Feb. 4.

GREAT REDUCTION ON FARE TO HAVRE.

First Cabin.....$80 | Second Cabin.....$50 | Third Class.....$30

In the first class paddle-wheel steamships of the REINDEER, Capt. C. D. Lyon, Commander, and MONITEUR, 2,800 tons, F. E. Leveque, to sail from Pier No. 3 North River, foot Noon precisely, carrying the United States Mails, viz:

Leave New-York for Havre on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1858, and Saturday, Feb. 6.

Leave Havre for New-York on Saturday, Jan. 23, and Saturday, Feb. 20.

Ariel, Jan. 24.....Feb. 21 | Reindeer, Feb. 7.....March 7.

North Star, Feb. 28.....March 28 | Ariel, March 14.....April 14.

The steamers touch at Havre, specie delivered in London and Paris. For passage or freight apply to D. TORRANCE, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR LIVERPOOL.—THE UNITED STATES Steamship BALTIC, J. Lewis, Commander, will depart with the United States mails for Europe positively on SATURDAY, Jan. 16, at 10 o'clock, from her berth at the foot of Canal-st.

For freight or passage, apply at her unequaled accommodations for elegance and comfort, apply to

EDWARD K. COLLINS, No. 56 Wall-st.

BROWN, SHIPLEY & CO., Liverpool.

STEPHEN KENNARD & SON, No. 61 Austin Friars, London.

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CITY BANK STATEMENTS.

STATEMENT OF THE ATLANTIC BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, [illegible], Cashier of the ATLANTIC BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. R. CAMLEY, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JESSE BULL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. A. TOWNER, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

THOS. L. THORNHILL, Commissioner of Deeds.

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Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM J. LAMB, Cashier of the FULTON BANK in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. J. LAMB, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE GREENWICH BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier of the GREENWICH BANK, of the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JAS. HARRISON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,166,336 63
Average amount of Specie	314,649 74
Average amount of Circulation	72,669 00
Average amount of Deposits	970,899 49

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier of the HANOVER BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

W. O. MURRAY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$3,007,627 87
Average amount of Specie	395,959 43
Average amount of Circulation	120,441 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,010,871 78

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JAMES BUELL, Cashier of the IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES BUELL, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

THOS. L. THORNHILL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE IRVING BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amounts of Loans and Discounts	$668,914 82
Average amount of Specie	144,896 31
Average amount of Circulation	91,084 00
Average amount of Deposits	542,830 47

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, DANIEL V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier of the IRVING BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.

DANIEL V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JNO. HEGEMAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,722,215 65
Average amount of Specie	376,451 03
Average amount of Circulation	180,631 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,223,910 42

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOMAS R. AGLY, Cashier of the LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. R. AGLY, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JESSE BULL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MANHATTAN COMPANY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—Of the average daily balance of the following accounts, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$4,229,449 97
Average amount of Specie	1,252,260 01
Average amount of Circulation	260,421 00
Average amount of Deposits	3,452,777 62

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JAMES M. MORRISON, Cashier of the MANHATTAN COMPANY, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. M. MORRISON, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARINE BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$722,824 98
Average amount of Specie	113,441 86
Average amount of Circulation	99,073 00
Average amount of Deposits	392,349 70

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOMAS WILLIAMS, Jr., President of the MARINE BANK, NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS WILLIAMS, Jr., President.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARKET BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,362,684 24
Average amount of Specie	208,542 87
Average amount of Circulation	161,241 00
Average amount of Deposits	869,392 00

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBT. H. HAYDOCK, Cashier of the MARKET BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. H. HAYDOCK, Cashier.

Affirmed before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$2,545,607 21
Average amount of Specie	614,868 37
Average amount of Circulation, including notes of the late Mechanics' Bank	327,889 14
Average amount of Deposits	2,701,486 17

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GIDEON DU AMELIUS, Cashier of the MECHANICS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. DU AMELIUS, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JESSE BULL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$613,420 72
Average amount of Specie	72,721 86
Average amount of Circulation	27,021 00
Average amount of Deposits	547,739 43

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE W. YOULE, Cashier of the MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEO. W. YOULE, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JOHN M. DEVOE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCANTILE BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,847,618 48
Average amount of Specie	476,845 03
Average amount of Circulation	22,150 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,565,523 22

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. J. BLAKE, Cashier of the MERCANTILE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. J. BLAKE, Cashr.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

O. E. WERTHER, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$2,483,752 00
Average amount of Specie	1,767,096 21
Average amount of Circulation	252,970 00
Average amount of Deposits	2,833,949 77

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE W. DUREE, Cashier of the BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK, in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. W. DUER, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

A. G. GRIMES, Notary Public.

STATEMENT OF THE BROADWAY BANK as required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,328,612 62
Average amount of Specie	237,[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	220,417 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,322,747 61

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JOHN L. EVERITT, Cashier of the BROADWAY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN L. EVERITT, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

MORRIS STRONG, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BULL'S HEAD BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. ELDRIDGE, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

R. SPENCER, Notary Public.

STATEMENT OF THE BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, BENJAMIN LEWIS, Jr., Cashier of the BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B. LEWIS, Jr., Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

GEORGE G. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHATHAM BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	72,945 [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	22,[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	178,156 [illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier of the CHATHAM BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

GALVE SMITH, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHEMICAL BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$3,071,497 00
Average amount of Specie	631,934 00
Average amount of Circulation	240,800 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,623,267 00

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, G. G. WILLIAMS, Cashier of the CHEMICAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. G. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

WM. M. WEAVER, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITIZENS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WM. H. MERRIFIELD, Cashier of the CITIZENS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WM. H. MERRIFIELD, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

A. M. EAGLESON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITY BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,701,461 07
Average amount of Specie	547,932 23
Average amount of Circulation	14,921 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,672,458 61

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBT. STRONG, Cashier of the CITY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. STRONG, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

W. C. MURRAY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CONTINENTAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, [illegible], Cashier of the CONTINENTAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. W. TALMAN, Acting Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

ERWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CORN EXCHANGE BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. M. FLAGG, Cashier of the CORN EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. M. FLAGG, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

ARNOUX RANKIN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE FULTON BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM J. LAMB, Cashier of the FULTON BANK in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. J. LAMB, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE GREENWICH BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier of the GREENWICH BANK, of the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JAS. HARRISON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,166,336 63
Average amount of Specie	314,649 74
Average amount of Circulation	72,669 00
Average amount of Deposits	970,899 49

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier of the HANOVER BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

W. O. MURRAY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$3,007,627 87
Average amount of Specie	395,959 43
Average amount of Circulation	120,441 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,010,871 78

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JAMES BUELL, Cashier of the IMPORTERS' AND TRADERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES BUELL, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

THOS. L. THORNHILL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE IRVING BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amounts of Loans and Discounts	$668,914 82
Average amount of Specie	144,896 31
Average amount of Circulation	91,084 00
Average amount of Deposits	542,830 47

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, DANIEL V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier of the IRVING BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.

DANIEL V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JNO. HEGEMAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,722,215 65
Average amount of Specie	376,451 03
Average amount of Circulation	180,631 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,223,910 42

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOMAS R. AGLY, Cashier of the LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. R. AGLY, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JESSE BULL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MANHATTAN COMPANY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—Of the average daily balance of the following accounts, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$4,229,449 97
Average amount of Specie	1,252,260 01
Average amount of Circulation	260,421 00
Average amount of Deposits	3,452,777 62

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JAMES M. MORRISON, Cashier of the MANHATTAN COMPANY, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. M. MORRISON, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARINE BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$722,824 98
Average amount of Specie	113,441 86
Average amount of Circulation	99,073 00
Average amount of Deposits	392,349 70

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOMAS WILLIAMS, Jr., President of the MARINE BANK, NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS WILLIAMS, Jr., President.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Merchants' Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARKET BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,362,684 24
Average amount of Specie	208,542 87
Average amount of Circulation	161,241 00
Average amount of Deposits	869,392 00

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBT. H. HAYDOCK, Cashier of the MARKET BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. H. HAYDOCK, Cashier.

Affirmed before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

E. FRANCIS CORBY, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$2,545,607 21
Average amount of Specie	614,868 37
Average amount of Circulation, including notes of the late Mechanics' Bank	327,889 14
Average amount of Deposits	2,701,486 17

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GIDEON DU AMELIUS, Cashier of the MECHANICS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. DU AMELIUS, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JESSE BULL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$613,420 72
Average amount of Specie	72,721 86
Average amount of Circulation	27,021 00
Average amount of Deposits	547,739 43

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE W. YOULE, Cashier of the MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEO. W. YOULE, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JOHN M. DEVOE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCANTILE BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,847,618 48
Average amount of Specie	476,845 03
Average amount of Circulation	22,150 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,565,523 22

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. J. BLAKE, Cashier of the MERCANTILE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. J. BLAKE, Cashr.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

O. E. WERTHER, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$2,483,752 00
Average amount of Specie	1,767,096 21
Average amount of Circulation	252,970 00
Average amount of Deposits	2,833,949 77

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE W. DUREE, Cashier of the BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK, in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. W. DUER, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

A. G. GRIMES, Notary Public.

STATEMENT OF THE BROADWAY BANK as required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,328,612 62
Average amount of Specie	237,[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	220,417 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,322,747 61

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JOHN L. EVERITT, Cashier of the BROADWAY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN L. EVERITT, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

MORRIS STRONG, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BULL'S HEAD BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. ELDRIDGE, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

R. SPENCER, Notary Public.

STATEMENT OF THE BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, BENJAMIN LEWIS, Jr., Cashier of the BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

B. LEWIS, Jr., Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

GEORGE G. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHATHAM BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	72,945 [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	22,[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	178,156 [illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier of the CHATHAM BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

O. H. SCHREINER, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

GALVE SMITH, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHEMICAL BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$3,071,497 00
Average amount of Specie	631,934 00
Average amount of Circulation	240,800 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,623,267 00

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, G. G. WILLIAMS, Cashier of the CHEMICAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. G. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

WM. M. WEAVER, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITIZENS' BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WM. H. MERRIFIELD, Cashier of the CITIZENS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WM. H. MERRIFIELD, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

A. M. EAGLESON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITY BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,701,461 07
Average amount of Specie	547,932 23
Average amount of Circulation	14,921 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,672,458 61

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBT. STRONG, Cashier of the CITY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. STRONG, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

W. C. MURRAY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CONTINENTAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. W. TALMAN, Acting Cashier of the CONTINENTAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. W. TALMAN, Acting Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

ERWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CORN EXCHANGE BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. M. FLAGG, Cashier of the CORN EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. M. FLAGG, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

ARNOUX RANKIN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, D. TAPPEN, Cashier of the NATIONAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. TAPPEN, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

EDWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE NEW-YORK COUNTY BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, A. MASTERTON, Jr., Cashier of the NEW-YORK COUNTY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. MASTERTON, Jr., Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

J. M. WITHERS, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE NEW-YORK DRY DOCK COMPANY—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. M. HAYNES, Cashier of the NEW-YORK DRY DOCK COMPANY, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. M. HAYNES, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JOHN ANDERSON, Jr., Justice Fifth District Court.

STATEMENT OF THE NEW-YORK EXCHANGE BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, D. B. RALSTEAD, Cashier of the NEW-YORK EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. B. RALSTEAD, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

JNO. HEGEMAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE OCEAN BANK, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, PARKER HANDY, Cashier of the OCEAN BANK of the City of New-York, being duly affirmed, depose and say, that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

PARKER HANDY, Cashier.

Affirmed before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

OSCAR W. STURTEVANT, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ORIENTAL BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$419,279 44
Average amount of Specie	89,773 41
Average amount of Circulation	21,[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	263,011 [illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WASHINGTON A. HALL, Cashier of the ORIENTAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say, that the above statement is correct.

WASHINGTON A. HALL, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

WM. L. WOOD, Police Justice.

STATEMENT OF THE PACIFIC BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[illegible]

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBERT BUCK, Cashier of the PACIFIC BANK, being sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ROBERT BUCK, Cashier.

Sworn before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

WM. LEE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE PARK BANK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$2,195,215 61
Average amount of Specie	473,768 01
Average amount of Circulation	182,972 00
Average amount of Deposits	1,626,793 76

City and County of New-York, ss.—I, CHARLES A. MACY, Cashier of the PARK BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES A. MACY, Cashier.

Affirmed before me, this 28th day of December, 1857.

WM. M. WEAVER, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 250, Laws of 1857, for the week ending Saturday, Dec. 26, 1857:

Average amount of Loans and Discounts	$[illegible]
Average amount of Specie	[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation	[illegible]
Average amount of Deposits	[

MUNICIPAL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

The Board of Aldermen met last evening, President Ozerv in the chair. Alderman Gerard offered a resolution directing the Committee on Laws and Applications in the Legislature to memorialize the Legislature for the passage of an act to enable the members of the Common Council for 1858 to receive pay for their services. The resolution was adopted.

The Committee on a site for a New Post-Office reported a resolution of their choice report in favor of the lease of the lower end of the City Hall Park, with a view of running the street, and a line with Nassau-street, they report (the running from the Post-office corner of Park-place and Broadway to the north western corner of Nassau-street, and thence to the north eastern corner of Nassau-street and Park-place, thence to the Post-Office.) After a strenuous opposition from Alderman Conlin and Hunter the resolution was finally adopted by the report in favor of selecting a site for a new City Hall.

Alderman Conlin moved to lay on the table and make it the special order for this (Tuesday) evening. Carried.

The Committee on Taxes reported in favor of remitting the taxes on the Union Mutual Insurance Company for 1856, and cancelling the same.

Alderman Vernon said the law allowed a reduction for 1857, but not for 1856. The law exempting from the tax half of other Companies paying tax was not passed until 1857. The report was adopted.

The Board then adjourned.

BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.

Mayor Wood Vetoes the Assize of Bread Ordinance—The Tax Levy Amended and Increased.

The Board of Councilmen met on Monday afternoon, the President, J. N. Phillips, in the Chair.

After the reception of a few formal documents, a communication was read from his Honor the Mayor, enclosing an argumentative veto upon the ordinance for the assize of bread, as follows:

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

To the Hon. the Board of Councilmen:

In return without approval the ordinance originating in your Board which provides for the assize of bread.

Though fully approving the philanthropic object of this ordinance, I cannot ignore the principles of legislation involved in it.

It seeks to regulate by law the quantity and quality of an article of commerce offered for sale by the producer to the consumer which within itself is not for sale. Article of sale. It provides for the stamping of loaves of bread, for the inspection of the same, and for the examination of the quantity and quality to be offered at a given price.

If no object was sought than simply such municipal regulation, as were clearly within our power to adopt and enforce, and the ordinance did not seek as it does to enforce an onerous and tyrannical exaction upon trade, the freedom of which has been secured by the Constitutions of the State and of the United States, I should not hesitate to give it my sanction. But it is clearly obnoxious to these objections, and hence I am constrained to disapprove.

It is one of our boasted privileges that in this country we are freed from the interference of Government in the transactions of our legitimate occupations, that so long as our trade, be it what it may, is not repugnant to the law, we have the undoubted right to conduct it without interference.

If the principle involved in this ordinance is recognized, laws may be adopted to restrict or to prevent chapmen the sale of any commodity; coercive law may be enacted to govern the sale of meats, lest the butchers should not vary the price corresponding with the continual fluctuations in the price of cattle. It appears to me that the true remedy is competition. If one baker will not give us a loaf of bread for a shilling when flour is $9 per barrel, another baker will be quick to see the advantage of increasing the size of his loaf, and the consumer will not be slow in giving the latter his custom. Besides, bread is various in quality as well as size. The same weight will not always produce the same quantity of healthful nutriment, so that, after all, the purchaser must judge for himself, without the aid of sizers acts like this proposed, or of a government agent to decide for him. It is a wise maxim, that the "best government is that which governs the least." Too many laws, with complicated provisions aiming at the extinction of all the evils and wrongs of society, overstep the true province of government. Thus preventive measures sometimes only increase the wrong by establishing a legislation contrary to the theory of a Republican Government. Which all disposition laws were abolished in this State, it was hailed upon as an important step in the direction to a liberal legislation. It was deemed a recognition of the principle that government should not seek its agent into men's private avocations to regulate or to interfere with the freedom of trade. Let us sustain this doctrine; it lies at the foundation of American Independence, and should be preserved as one of our inalienable rights.

FERNANDO WOOD, Mayor.

Councilman Wasson immediately rose. He was astonished to hear the Mayor prate about this matter. He thought that the veto would find a few advocates in the Board. But he would move that it be printed in the minutes hereon, and printed side by side with the ordinance, so that the people could judge of the propriety of the ordinance, and of the flimsy reasoning which the Mayor had labored to lay before them. It was one of his most outrageous things he had known to emanate from the Chief Magistrate of the City. It was the only measure that had been adopted directly for the benefit of the working people, and yet the Mayor had interfered directly to prevent it being carried out, perverting the language of that ordinance, and for what? It was only that morning he had received a communication from an Alderman of Philadelphia, that the people of that city feeling strongly in favor of the movement. Columbia had already taken action on the matter, and a more flagrant violation of the rights of the people's legislation he could not imagine.

Counsellor McCabe was opposed to the printing. He was astonished. No man would be benefited by it but Mr. Becker.

Counsellor Brennan thought the Mayor had mistaken the matter. The veto took wrong ground.

The President reminded the speaker he was out of order. The question was not the propriety of the veto but whether it were to be printed.

Counsellor Brennan, said the principle of freedom did not lie against selling bread by weight, and therefore the ordinance and the veto ought to be printed.

Counsellor McCahill rose to order. Much confusion prevailed. The President ordered the gentleman into custody, and the venerable Sergeant-at-Arms, Mitchell, rose with his wand of office, approaching a few steps, to the amusement of a very crowded house. Order was restored, and the Sergeant having retired, Counsellor Brennan persisted with his argument, Counsellor McCahill crying "Go it, go it." Counsellor Jones wished to hear the veto read. Counsellor Brennan was with many interjections and cries of "Go it" and sarcastic remarks from Counsellor Wasson, continued for a few sentences had been read, Councilman Jones said he was satisfied. He was in favor of the Mayor's veto. He had yet to learn whether he was in favor of protection by the Government or the people. Let every man good surplus know good bread, and if sold by weight on, wives and servants would be none the better or wiser. He was opposed to the ordinance on the same ground as he opposed the private sale of spirits, or otherwise, not selling spirits at all.

Counsellor Franklin rose to order, and thought the speaker did not confine his remarks to the question.

Counsellor Otterson wished both to be printed together, that every member know that the officers appointed by law examined both weights and measures, and why should bread be a material exception from the operation. The Mayor had evident[ly] [illegible]

Counsellor Walsh argued the general question, and was interrupted by Counsellor Jones, who asked if he could not buy a bull or a bull, or by the quarter, or the pound; why should he be compelled to buy flour in some special form or way?

Counsellor Walsh said unfortunately, it was so, but when the bull came to be sold in parcels, it was only fair to sell him five pounds for five pounds, and not charge the buyer the value of seven, assuring him that he really was receiving seven.

Counsellor McCahill also argued the general question. Several members complained of the wide range the argument was taking.

Counsellor Otterson asked if it were not a waste of time. Were they not obliged to print it?

Counsellor Hassall said in the "minutes" would do, in "document form" was unnecessary. Everybody who could eat of a loaf of bread, knew what bread was, without something printed about it in document form.

Ultimately it was agreed to print the veto in document form.

NEW-YORK-CITY RIVER.

The Counsel to the Corporation forwarded a communication, stating that the Common Council had the right to convey the lower part of the Park to the General Government for the purpose of a new Post-Office. Entered on file.

BAD BEEF FOR 1858.

The Report of the Committee on Finance, submitted the 10th ult., was brought before the Board for the 2d time. Councilman Craig in the chair, increasing the Comptroller's estimate, the net income, $1,000,000 61.

Counsellor Jones said that it was shameful to increase salaries at the rate of an additional 20 per cent, and in the aggregate to the amount of $145,000. He campaigned strongly against the increase of the salary of the Mayor and also of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

The proposal to add $30,000 to the arrearages of rent, for the purpose of paying the increased salaries of City officials, was lost by a vote of 21 to 16.

A long discussion arose upon the item of $10,000, "expenditures of Mayor Wood, growing out of testing the constitutionality of laws relative to the City, passed by the Legislature in 1857."

Councilman Jones argued in favor of such appropriation. Out of self-respect the people ought to pay it, in defence of the Mayor, and in defence of his vindication of the people's inalienable rights.

The President reminded Councilman Jones of what he deemed an inconsistency. It was not long ago that he advocated a very opposite doctrine, and voted in support of it.

Councilman Herpheil argued against the payment.

Councilman Jones said the motion to which reference had been made had not been carried.

Councilman Brady was opposed to the payment. The Board had already appropriated $10,000 and an injunction had been laid upon it. But neither the Senate nor the law had excluded Fernando Wood. He knew it would be voted by the Mayor undertook the responsibility to attack the law and declare it unconstitutional. For himself, he saw no reason why the money of the citizens should be squandered in defiance of law to gratify the ambition of a private individual, especially after it had been decided that it was illegal and was now attempted to be reached in another way.

The vote on striking out stood 6 in favor to 28 opposed.

The sum of $86,000, instead of $75,000, was voted upon the item "Repairs of public buildings, including new buildings for Fire Department."

"Sewers, repairing and cleaning," $48,000 was moved to be amended by the substitution of $35,000. Carried.

RIDE PAVEMENT BROADWAY.

Councilman Boole wished to insert $75,000 for improving Broadway.

Councilman Warren alluded to Broadway's slippery condition. Something ought to be done.

A long conversation arose about "improving" and "grooving."

Councilman Boole said that an appropriation of $767,000 made last year had passed into the Sinking Fund. It was immaterial to he have the improvement was to be effected. But he wished it done. His resolution did not specially indorse "grooving."

Councilman Franklin said he was opposed to any such appropriation, but certainly thought $75,000 might pay for grooving, which would be entirely useless; it would not be one-third of what would be necessary to put it in passable repair.

Councilman Jones advocated laying iron pavement from the Battery to the Astor House. The suffering to horses was grievous.

Ultimately the appropriation was recommended to be favorably reported.

The report of the Finance Committee was then accepted, (the President in the Chair,) by 32 to 6, and the various amendments were adopted *seriatim*.

The Report was instantly passed to a third reading and passed by a vote of 34 to 6.

It was now nearly 10 o'clock, the Board having sat 3 hours, when some further time was consumed in debating the question whether the Board should sit on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, or only Tuesday and Wednesday.

The papers from the Board of Aldermen were called for.

These were variously referred, and after a protracted discussion the Board agreed to meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The Board concurred upon vote with the Aldermen in appropriating $1,000 for refitting the Aldermanic chamber.

The Committee on the "Manual" was discharged and the bill finally passed.

At 20 minutes past 10, the Board went into Committee of the Whole on the second time. Councilman Rassieas in the chair. An attempt was made to do business, but great confusion prevailed.

The sum of $300 was approved and finally passed to a third reading as a compensation to R. R. Sonder, Clerk to the Fire Department Committee of the Board of Councilmen.

At 10¼ o'clock the Board adjourned until next evening.

The Board of Supervisors.

The Board of Supervisors met yesterday afternoon, Supervisor McGuinness in the Chair. The first paper that attracted the particular attention of the Board was a resolution to remove ——, Interpreter for the Court of Sessions, and appoint —— in his place.

The resolution was offered by Supervisor McGuinness, who said he offered it at the request of the new Recorder, who said the present Interpreter was incompetent, inasmuch as he could not speak English well.

Supervisor Tucker thought that was strange, for when he was appointed it was claimed that he was an excellent linguist, speaking five languages correctly and fluently. He thought the matter should be referred, in order to ascertain which statement was correct. He was opposed to blasting a man's reputation simply because somebody wanted to get him out of office.

Supervisor Clancy knew the present Interpreter very well, and for a long time, and had always understood that he filled his office well.

Supervisor Wilson moved to refer to a Special Committee, which was carried.

Supervisor Clancy offered a resolution appropriating $1,500 for additional clerical assistance in the office of the District-Attorney. He stated that the increase of business rendered additional assistance absolutely necessary.

Supervisor Tucker objected to the adoption of the resolution on the ground that it would be time enough to pass it when the new District-Attorney should have been inducted into his office, and could know what condition the affairs of the office are in.

Supervisor Fullers opposed the resolution on the ground that the present incumbent had spent three months of the past year in Albany, neglecting his business, and trying to legislate the city authorities out of existence. That was a sufficient reason why the affairs of his office, should be in disorder. He believed the new District-Attorney would attend to his business, and consequently would not require additional assistance.

Supervisors Tucker and Grant defended the present incumbent, claimed that there had never been any complaint, and again opposed the resolution.

Supervisor Clancy said he offered the resolution at the request of the new District-Attorney, and after some additional remarks it was adopted. The Board then adjourned to Wednesday next at 3 P. M.

Coroner's Inquests.

A Child Killed by Brandy.—Coroner Gamble held an inquest yesterday, at No. 174 East Fifty-second-street, on the body of a boy six years of age, named Dennis Earley, who died from drinking brandy. It seems the mother of the boy went out of the room, leaving a pitcher containing half a pint of brandy on the table, a portion of which the boy drank during her absence. A verdict was rendered of "Congestion of the brain from the effects of brandy."

Fall from a Ladder.—An inquest was held yesterday upon the body of Wm. McWilliams, a laborer, whose death was caused by falling from a ladder, at No. 16 Stanton-street, where he was engaged carrying brick. A verdict was rendered of accidental death. Deceased was 21 years of age, and resided at No. 115 First-avenue.

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Holiday Hats and Furs.—It is pleasant to look in upon Knox, the celebrated Hatter, Furrier, &c., at the corner of Broadway and Fulton-street, and witness the immense stock of seasonable beauties with which he is surrounded. The immense variety of Hats, Caps, &c., so remarkable for neatness of style and tastefulness of finish, will at once attract attention, and the stock of Furs will certainly not escape observation.

[Advertisement.]

☞ Young Gentlemen, who wish to avoid unpleasant sensations in the head, the next morning, will take nothing on New-Years but Seymour & Brewster's Pearl Tooth Wash, which exhilarates without intoxicating, and "leaves no sting behind." To be had at No. 14 West-street, near the Bowery.

[Advertisement.]

Purdy's National Theatre.—Another great success has been achieved at this popular Theatre by Mr. Fox. New and brilliant combinations of "Ruth, or The Spirit of Air." It is the most magnificent piece ever brought out on this stage. The grand transformation of the Wizard Scene in "Lord of the Isles," is to be witnessed properly, and the beautiful drama of the "Lady of the Lake" will conclude the bill.

[Advertisement.]

To Nervous Sufferers.—A retired clergyman, restored to health in a few days, after many years of nervous suffering, is anxious to make known the means of cure. Will send (free) the prescription gratis. Direct Rev. Jas. M. Dagnall, Fulton-street, Brooklyn.

[Advertisement.]

To the Public.—Plasmeier's Photographic Gallery, Daguerreotypes, Ambrotypes, are always ready for gifts for the holidays, and should be seen and not gone by. Magnificent assortment at No. 356 and 358 Broadway, opposite Metropolitan Hotel.

Cigars at Retail.—The remaining portion of an imported stock of Havana cigars, of fine and well-seasoned flavors, consisting of Lonsdales, Cliffordens and Media Regalias, are offered in lots to suit, at No. 19 Maiden-lane, 1st floor.

[Advertisement.]

Herring's Patent Champion Fire-Proof Safes.—Nos. 125, 127 and 129 Water-street, and No. 251 Broadway, corner Murray-street, New-York.

[Advertisement.]

☞ Drs. Hunter & Melville, consulting physicians for Pulmonary diseases, No. 626 Broadway, New-York.

[Advertisement.]

Gas Gas.—Call at the great depôt of Andrews, Warren & Co., No. 376 Broadway, for new gas-fixtures at Hard Times prices. Selling off our entire stock.

LONG ISLAND.

A Daring Burglary in Brooklyn.—About 3 o'clock on Sunday morning, grocery store No. 18 Atlantic-street, kept by Ferdinand W. Meyers, was entered by two burglars, by means of false keys, through the front door. They stole $162, and a gold watch and chain. The proprietor was asleep under the counter at the time the burglars entered, and was aroused by their choking him. They told him to tell them where his money was, or they would take his life. After obtaining the money and watch they choked Mr. Meyers until he was insensible, and then departed. Soon after, the occupants of the rooms above the store were aroused by his groans, and medical aid was immediately called, and it was some time before he was restored to consciousness. It is evident that the villains were well acquainted with Mr. Meyers' habits and the premises, and the Police think that they will be able to secure the offenders.

Bar-Room Affray—One Man Shot.—A party of intoxicated men entered a bar-room corner of Atlantic and Columbia streets, Brooklyn, late Friday night and demanded drinks, which the bar-keeper refused to give them. They then commenced throwing bottles at the bar-keeper who defended himself with a club which his opponents finally got hold of and beat freely over his head. The bar-keeper then drew a revolver and discharged the contents of five barrels into the crowd, and, strange to say, only wounded one man in the hand, named Edward Mirchmit. Dr. McDonnell was called and found it necessary to amputate the little finger of Mirchmit's right hand. The Police of the Third Precinct arrested the bar-keeper, named John Carlton, and also Lawrence Hayes, charged with having commenced the disturbance and both were confined in the Third Precinct Station.

Interesting to Boarding-House Keepers.—A man was arrested by the Police in Brooklyn, last evening, upon suspicion of being the person who has recently swindled so many boarding-house keepers in Brooklyn and New-York. He will be shown up at the office of the Deputy-Superintendent, basement of the Brooklyn City Hall, between 9 and 10 o'clock this morning, at which time all sufferers are requested to attend.

☞ Blanchard, recently convicted of passing counterfeit money, in the Kings County Court of Sessions, who was sent to Sing Sing, died there a few days ago while undergoing the shower-bath punishment. He declared the day he was taken to prison that they would not be able to make him work.

☞ Rev. Dr. Huntington, Unitarian, preached acceptably, last Sunday morning, at Rev. Dr. Storrs' Church, Congregationalist, by invitation of the pastor.

Brooklyn Common Council.—In this Board last night, on motion of Alderman Russell, a Special Committee was appointed to confer with the Eastern steamboat owners for the purpose of inducing them either to have their place of departure at one of the Brooklyn docks, or of touching there on every trip.

MORE CITY RAILROADS.

The following communication was presented and referred to the Railroad Committee:

To the Common Council—*Gentlemen*: The undersigned owners and occupants of real estate in the First, Third, Sixth, Eighth and Tenth Wards, respectfully apply for permission to lay railroad tracks in Furman, Atlantic, Columbia, Warren of Baltic, Pacific, Amity, Dean, Bergen and Warren streets, Fourth and Fifth avenues, First and Third, Sixth and Seventh avenues, Fourteenth-street, Ninth-avenue to the Greenwood Cemetery, for the establishment of a line of City Cars from the Fulton, Montague and South Ferries, through the First, Sixth, Eighth and Tenth Wards, and also for permission hereafter to extend the line on First or Third and Fourteenth streets, to the Flatbush line, and the line on Fifth-avenue to the New-Utrecht line, with the right to connect such existing railroads, &c., &c.

Signed, E. E. Litchfield, W. Howard Wait, Paul Worth, J. E. Southworth, T. H. Smith & Co., C. R. Marvin, Thomas G. Talmage, Calvin Burr, E. C. Litchfield and R. Sands Tucker.

THE WATER WORKS.

The Law Committee reported in favor of advancing $100,000 out of the "reserved fund," to Messrs. Wells & Co., contracting for the Brooklyn Water Works. The report was laid on the table for one week.

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

The Fire Department Committee, to whom was referred the returns of the recent election for Assistant Engineers, with instructions to canvass the same, reported that they had not been able to proceed with the work, as there were many illegal votes cast. The report was referred back, and the Committee directed to throw out the vote of every Company where there are illegal votes cast.

Mortality in Brooklyn.—Report of deaths in the city of Brooklyn from the 19th to the 26th of December, 1857: Males, 51; Females, 42: total, 93. men, 16; boys, 30; women, 22; girls, 25.

DISEASES.

Consumption	16	Teething	1
Inflammation of Lungs	10	Bronchitis	1
Stillborn	9	Pertussis	2
Convulsions	6	Scrofula	1
Diseases of the Brain	5	Typhus Fever	1
Scarlet Fever	4	Hemorrhage	1
Disease of the Heart	4	Debility	1
Croup	4	Scirrhus of Womb	1
Marasmus	3	Gout	1
Disease of Liver	2	Inflammation of Chest	1
Typhoid Fever	2	Dropsy	1
Bilious Fever	2	Dysentery	1
Inflammation of Stom'h	2	Diarrhœa	1
Tumor of Stomach	2	Lockjaw	1
Congestion of the Lungs	2	Erysipelas	1

AGES.

One year and under, 26; from 1 to 2 years, 7; from 2 to 5 years, 8; from 5 to 10 years, 5; from 10 to 20 years, 4; from 20 to 30 years, 8; from 30 to 40 years, 7; from 40 to 50 years, 6; from 50 to 60 years, 7; from 60 to 70 years, 6; from 70 to 80 years, 9; from 80 to 90 years, 2.

NATIVITY.

United States, 65; Ireland, 12; Germany, 8; England, 9; Canada, 1.

W. CLEVELAND, Health Officer.

A Mysterious Case.—Late on Friday night Officer Devaire, of the Sixth Precinct, Brooklyn, was attracted by the cries of a female, to a stable at the corner of Leonard and South Fourth streets. Upon entering the stable he found a girl named Emma Egan in almost a nude state, who told the officer she had been dragged there by a ruffian, and that she had frightened him away by screaming after he had stripped her of her clothing. On Saturday she was brought before a Justice, when she refused to state where she lived, and was sent, at her own request, to the Penitentiary as a vagrant.

☞ The Brooklyn Liquor Cases.—In the case of The People ex. Michael Bennett, an action brought to recover the penalty of $50 for selling liquor on Sunday, and carried up to Special Term, (Judge Strong,) on a motion to quash proceedings on the ground of irregularities in summons, and then decided against defendant, and then taken to the General Term, was decided yesterday, when the decision of the Special Term was affirmed, Judge Strong dissenting.

☞ Daniel McKinney, a witness for the defence in the late trial of Gallagher for murder, was arrested in Brooklyn, on Saturday, by officer Ware, on a charge of attempting to violate the person of Mary Phillips, by dragging her into an unoccupied building on Adams near Water-street. He was committed for examination.

The Brooklyn Police.—The Police during the 48 hours ending yesterday morning made 57 arrests—all foreigners but 18; and during the same time 76 persons were accommodated with lodgings at the different Stations, all of whom were foreigners but 12.

Robberies.—There were not less than three houses robbed on Atlantic-street, Friday night, last—making nine robberies on the same street during this week.

☞ Officer Wardy of the Fourth Precinct, Brooklyn, yesterday, arrested John Madden, charged with stealing a dog, valued at $30. He was held to answer.

☞ A little child of Mrs. Strayer residing in South Seventh near Fourth-street, Brooklyn, was so badly burnt, yesterday, by its clothes taking fire, that its life is despaired of.

☞ Dead or His Injuries.—Mr. Wm. Rogers, of Brooklyn, died yesterday from the effects of injuries received on the cars in September last.

☞ Capt. Carll, of the Eighth Precinct, Brooklyn, has received a number of interested parties, [illegible]

Fire in Brooklyn.—On Friday night last, the Roman Catholic Church, "Star of the Sea," on Court-street, Brooklyn, was damaged by fire to the extent of $1,000. Insured in the Norman Company. The fire was caused by a defect in the flue.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Monday and Tuesday.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Dec. 28.

$6,000 Chic & Mil 1st m. 7s	90	40 Hud. Riv. Railroad	19
10,000 Chic & Ill 2d m. 7s	85	100 Reading Rail'd	83¼
10,000 Chic & Ill 2d m. 7s	85¼	100 do.	83¼
1,000 Kan. State 6s	101¾	100 do.	now 83¼
1,000 do.	102	100 do.	83¼
1,000 Tenn. 6s, '92	93¾	100 do.	s10 83⅝
20,000 do.	93¾	100 do.	s10 83⅝
1,000 Missouri 6s	70¾	100 do.	s10 83¾
5,000 do.	70	100 do.	s10 83¾
2,000 Memphis City 6s	67	100 do.	s5 83
2,000 N. E. R. R. 1st M'g 6s	89	100 do.	0 84
2,000 Mar. & Cin. 1st M'g 6s	85	40 Mich. Cen. R. R.	88
2,000 Ill. Cen. R. R. Bds	84¼	20 M. S. & N. Ind. R. R.	28
2,000 do.	84¼	100 do.	28¼
2,000 do.	s60 84¼	100 do.	28¼
2,000 Chi. & R. I. 1st m.	85¾	100 do.	28¼
10 Bank of Commerce	80¼	50 Panama R. R.	s30 84¾
10 Shoe & Leather Bk.	81	100 do.	s10 84¾
21 Bank of St. Louis	21	100 do.	84¾
10 N. Y. Exchange Co.	100	100 do.	84¾
15 Del. & Hud. C. Co.	109	50 Illinois Cen. Rlt.	87¼
100 Penn. Coal Co.	48	100 Mich. & Chicago Rlt.	71
20 Pac. M. S. Co.	60	100 Cleve. & Toledo R. R.	s10 41¼
20 do.	60	100 do.	s10 41¼
20 do.	60	100 do.	s10 41
20 Cum. Coal Co.	9	100 do.	s10 41¼
200 do.	9¼	100 Chic & R. Is. R. R.	71
200 do.	s5 9	100 do.	71
200 do.	9	100 do.	71
200 do.	9	100 do.	70¾
20 Erie Railroad	s30 19¼	100 do.	70¾
200 do.	19¼	50 Le Crosse & Mil. R. R.	19¾
200 do.	19¼	100 do.	19¾
100 do.	19¼	50 G. B. & Quincy Rlt.	102¾
100 do.	19¼	50 Chic. Cal. & Cin. Rlt.	65
100 do.	s30 19¼		

SECOND BOARD.

$4,000 N. Y. S. 6s '72	100¾	50 Cumb. Coal Co.	9
1,000 Black Stone 6s	97	50 Reading R. R. s30	83
1,000 Missouri State 6s	70	100 do.	83¼
1,000 Hunter's Point 6s	95	100 do.	83¼
17,000 Ill. C. R. 7 p. ct. bds	84	25 Mich. S. & N. I. R. R.	19¾
5,000 Chi. & Mil. 1st m. 7s	90	100 Gal. & Chicago R.R.	70
3,000 N. Y. Cen. S. R. 6s	81	50 Chi. & R. I. R. R.	71
10 Bank of Commerce	109	200 N. Y. Central R. R.	73¾
10 Bk. of Amer. ex div.	108¾	50 do.	73¾

REPORTED SALES BY AUCTION.

$2,000 Milwaukee & Horicon 1st m. 8s	Int. add. 33¾
$4,000 Brooklyn City 6s	Int. add. 90
$3,000 Chicago, St. Paul & Fon du Lac R. 6s	do. 24¾
$7,000 Terre Haute & Alton R. 1 m. 7s	Int. add. 55@56¼
$18,000 Lee County (Iowa) 6 per cent. bds	Int. add. 66¾
$6,000 Wheeling City 5 p. cent. bds	Int. add. 34@34¼
$1,000 Watertown City 6s	Int. add. 41¾
$2,000 California 7s	Int. add. 60¾
$2,000 Memphis City 6s	Int. add. 65
$1,000 Sacramento City 10s	Int. add. 51¾
$5,000 Missouri 6s	Flat 79¼
$1,000 Memphis City 6s	Int. add. 67
$2,000 Milwaukee and Beloit R. R. Co. 6s	Int. add. 25
$2,000 N. Y. and Harlem R. R. 2d mort	Int. add. 54
$3,000 Cumber'd. Coal and Iron Co. 6s	Int. add. 65
$2,000 Watertown City 6s	Int. add. 22
$2,000 Watertown City	Int. add. 30
$10,000 Chicago St. Paul and Fond du Lac R. R. 6s	Int. ad. 16
$1,000 Milwaukee City 7s	Int. ad. 56
10 shares American Exchange Bank	99¾
18 shares Chatham Bank	66
15 shares Chatham Bank	67
25 shares Eagle Fire Ins. Co	142
6 shares Home Fire Ins. Co	150
13 shares Home Fire Ins. Co	148
15 shares Continental Fire Ins. Co	101¾
12 shares American Exchange Co	89
10 shares Pacific Mail Steamship Co	65
10 shares Union Ferry Co	92
56 shares Brooklyn City R. R. Co	88
20 shares Metropolitan Bank	96
100 shares Brooklyn City Railroad	85¾
15 shares United States Express Co	72
8 shares New-York and New-Haven R. R.	80¾
12 shares Metropolitan Bank	99
13 shares National Bank	105¾@105
100 shares Peoples' Bank	92¾@93
5 shares Howard Fire Ins. Co	170
10 shares Ætna Ins. Co	103¾
15 shares Firemen's Insurance Co	140¾
20 shares Eagle Fire Ins. Co	144¾
5 shares Continental Bank	94¾

New-York, Monday, Dec. 28—P. M.

The Official averages of the Banks in the City of New-York for the week ending Saturday last, Dec. 26, the particulars of which are advertised by each Bank separately on another page of this paper, present in the aggregate the following changes from the previous weekly statement of Saturday, Dec. 19:

Increase in Loans	$690,345
Decrease in Specie	615,329
Increase in Circulation	42,721
Decrease in Undrawn Deposits	630,636

Including the Clearing-House operations of the week and the Sub-Treasury statement of Saturday afternoon, the following is the general comparison with the previous report, and also with the corresponding week last year:

COMPARATIVE RECAPITULATION.

	Dec. 27, 1857.	Dec. 26, 1857.	Dec. 19, 1857.
Capital	$55,338,000	$64,808,000	$64,008,000
Loans	106,527,429	97,002,625	97,311,690
Specie	16,382,428	27,142,099	27,957,327
Circulation	5,387,167	5,352,187	5,309,466
Gross Deposits	67,396,664	76,139,607	76,442,130
Exchanges	25,137,271	13,080,037	12,732,024
Undrawn	69,259,301	63,890,270	63,710,106
In Sub-Treasury	13,042,862	3,661,603	3,912,775

The decrease in Specie is less than calculated upon, after the considerable export of $2,876,295. The average line is still $27,142,099, and adding in the California receipts, which came into Bank to-day, the aggregate reserve this afternoon is not far from the extraordinary total of $29,000,000. The California mail arrived in prompt season, and is deemed highly satisfactory. Its treasure list amounts to $2,020,537 for New-York, besides which $459,359 went direct to England from the Isthmus of Panama. We do not hear of any important engagements for New-York account for the Boston steamer of Wednesday. The sales of Exchange to-day are rather slow, and the remittances, owing to the dullness of the holidays, will not be large in any form. Brokers' bills on London are held for 109¾ ⅌ cent.; prime commercial signatures, 108@109¼ ⅌ cent.; francs, 5.22½@5.18¾. The mail does not close till Tuesday afternoon, and more signs of activity in bills and specie may possibly manifest themselves to-morrow. The Money Market is quiet, and the general appearance of business in and around Wall-street and on the Merchants' Exchange indicates more than the usual stagnation of the Christmas time. The Sub-Treasury received $89,211; paid out $141,097; and held at the close $3,664,476. Some small parcels of Gold have already been deposited in anticipation of the issue of Treasury Notes, and one of the Wall-street banks has received to take $250,000 of the notes apportioned to New-York as soon as issued.

The Stock Exchange closes exceedingly quiet, though on the sales of Monday prices are fairly supported as compared with Saturday; Erie and Reading a fraction higher; New-York Central ½ ⅌ cent. off; Galena and Rock Island both depressed; Illinois Centrals barely supported; State Stocks steady and some of the issues in good demand. Bank Stocks also continue to be wanted at the enhanced rates; the resumption and the January dividends having restored nearly the whole list to favor. As a general remark the dealings at the Board are of an indifferent character, indicating on all sides a disposition to await the New Year before entering upon a decided course of speculation.

The January interest on all Bonds issued by the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad Company, will be paid, upon presentation of the proper coupons, at the office of Peters, Campbell & Co., No. 52 Wall-street, on and after the 2d proximo.

We learn from the Ohio State Agent that the money for the January interest on the Ohio State debt is now here, on deposit, at the American Exchange Bank. The interest will be paid, as heretofore, by Samuel T. Bull, Esq., Ohio State Agent, at his office, No. 25 William-street.

The circular of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company, referred to in the advertisement for "Proposals for Bonds" on another page of this paper, has been published, and may be obtained at the Bank of Commerce, the transfer agency of the Company in this City. A correspondent writes in regard to this line:

"The result of the business of the Road for the last six months is very good, the net earnings, after paying coupons and other interest and expenses, being $468,287, equal to above 10½ ⅌ cent. on the capital of the Company of $4,631,000. The present bonded debt of the Company is $2,618,000, and the estimated income of the ensuing year, on the principal is $262,216. To assist in providing for the latter, arrangements are made for a moderate amount to raise $400,000."

The Western Bank of Scotland have made a general assignment of their property in America, for the benefit of creditors, to Messrs. J. C. Bancroft-Davis and James Tassoney. The official advertisement is in another column.

Money Circulation for Europe.

Per Canada.] New-York, Monday, Dec. 28, 1857.

The festivities of Christmas have intervened since our last advices of 22d inst. The character of our market has changed but little since then. Money remains plentiful; nevertheless, news by the 16th inst. which represents the financial crisis as pressing with the greatest severity in the North of Germany and in other countries, does not fail to exercise a depressing influence in our market. Our Stock Exchange has felt the effect of this, and has been very sensitive with some decline in prices, as is shown by the annexed quotations. State Stocks—The only ones which have been at all active are Missouri 6s, at well-sustained prices, and Tennessee 6s at a decline of 1¼ ⅌ cent. City Bonds—We notice some sales of Chicago 6s (water loan) at steady rates, and of Louisville 6s below our previous quotations. Brooklyn 6s which had declined last week, have recovered to 90¾ with a few sales. Railroad Bonds—Some Illinois Constructions have been done at a decline of 1¼; so also some Erie 7s of 1871 at a decline of 2; Michigan Central 1st mort. and Galena and Chicago 2d mort. at steady prices. Railroad Stocks—The only transactions of any importance have been in Erie at a decline of ⅛; in Cleveland and Toledo at ⅜; in Chicago and Rock Island of ⅜; in New-York Central of 1¼; and in Reading at an advance of ¼ ⅌ cent. Delaware and Hudson Canal and Pennsylvania Coal continued steady. Money is without change at from 5@7 ⅌ cent. for loans on call. Paper outside offered from 9@15. The Banks discount willingly all the short first-class paper that is offered.

DISCOUNT & CO.

Per Canada.] New-York, Monday, Dec. 28, 1857.

Our last advices were to the 22d inst. Owing mainly to the dullness which is usually felt towards the close of the year, the Stock Market has been exceedingly stagnant throughout the week, and prices have generally fallen back. The market seems just now to be in such a position that large sums could not be bought or sold without causing wide fluctuations. The last European news, by the *Persia*, to the 12th inst., announces further large failures in Hamburg, England and elsewhere. These advices again discredit bills of exchange, interrupt the export of produce, and arrest all tendency to speculation either in merchandise or stocks. The House of Representatives having passed the Treasury-Note bill, according to the terms expressed in our last Circular, the Secretary of the Treasury announces that he has fixed 3 ⅌ cent. as the rate for the first $8,000,000, of which $3,000,000 is to be reserved for New-York, and is ready to exchange them for specie, in sums to suit purchasers. State Stocks—California, Tennessee, and Virginia, lower. Sales very trifling, excepting Missouri, which remain at 80. Virginia has declined ¾; Tennessee, 1¼; California, 1870, 2; Ohio, 1868, sales at 101 ex-int.; do. 1860, at 97¾ ex-int.; do. 1870, at 100 ex-int.; North Carolina, 1 ⅌ cent. higher; and New-York 6s, 1872, ¼ ⅌ cent. Sales Kentucky 6s at 103¾@102; Michigan at 94. City and County Bonds—No sales to mention other than a few Brooklyn 6s, Chicago 6s, and Milwaukee 7s, (Municipal,) at firmer